



# Her life was taken while helping another

*Mental health patient stands accused in the brutal murder of a Wilmington woman*

By STEPHEN BJORK

**N. ANDOVER** - A 19-year old North Andover man is facing murder charges after allegedly stabbing a 53-year old Wilmington woman last Wednesday evening.

Miruhi Mattian's life was cut tragically short, police say, by Paul Belanger.

Mattian, a therapist with Lawrence-based Family Continuity, visited Belanger's home at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening because she was told that Belanger was hiding a

knife in his bedroom. According to North Andover Police, she was coaxing Belanger to relinquish the knife when he attacked her, stabbing her in the torso.

After attacking Mattian, Belanger entered his 17-year old sister's bedroom and sliced his own throat in front of her.

Mattian made it into the foyer outside the Belanger's basement apartment in the Meadow View Condominiums at 3 Walker Road in North Andover and managed to dial 911.

North Andover Police Officer Daniel Lanen found Mattian lying face down in the foyer and found Belanger lying on the floor in the apartment. As soon as Lanen determined that there was no immediate threat of danger, he brought paramedics to begin treatment.

Belanger was conscious while being treated and questioned, despite his self-inflicted wound, according to police.

Mattian and Belanger were both transported to Lawrence General Hospital, where Mattian was

pronounced dead.

According to Essex County District Attorney Office spokesman, Steve O'Connell, Belanger was arraigned on a charge of murder in his hospital room on Thursday. He pleaded not guilty. The judge ordered a 20-day psychiatric evaluation at Bridgewater State Hospital as soon as it is medically safe to transport him.

"The North Andover Police Detectives and the District Attorney's Office are continuing to

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It's been in the making for three years, but 2008 is the year that the Vietnam Moving Wall is coming to Wilmington.

The Moving Wall, the half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., has been touring the country since 1984. It was built just two years after John Devitt attended the dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in 1982. Devitt made a vow to share the positive power of the Memorial with those unable to make the pilgrimage to Washington. Devitt, along with

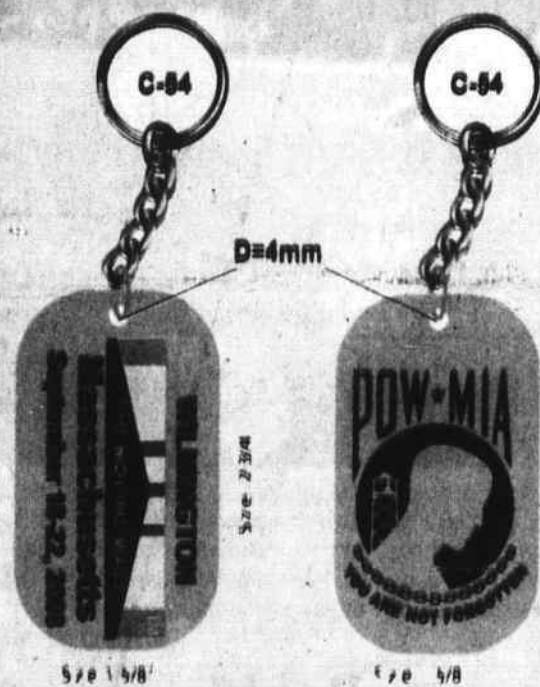
Norris Shears, Gerry Haver, and other Vietnam veteran volunteers built The Moving Wall. The Moving Wall made its initial appearance in Tyler, TX and has been traveling all over the country ever since.

Now, two Moving Walls travel from city to city, from community to community, from April through November. The Moving Wall spends several days at each site before moving on to its next destination.

Wilmington has been on the waiting list for three years, but the wait is almost over. The Moving Wall will be displayed on Wilmington Common from September 18 through September 22, 2008.

"We feel this will give many residents of Wilmington and surrounding communities an opportunity to experience this part of history," said Wilmington Veterans Services Agent Louis

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To fund The Moving Wall's visit to Wilmington, commemorative keychains, similar to the proposed rendering above, will be sold.



The Moving Wall, as seen in Spenceport, NY on July 13, 2000, enables millions of people not able to visit Washington, D.C. to experience the positive energies of the Vietnam Memorial.

Photo by Jim Schueckler, courtesy of www.themovingwall.org

## The decision will be in your hands

*To elect Planning Board members, or not to elect them, that is the question*

By STEPHEN BJORK

**WILMINGTON** - Voters at Town Meeting in May will have first say as to whether Planning Board members should be elected.

Pursuant to Wilmington's Town Charter, the members of the Planning Board are appointed by the town manager. Selectman Michael McCoy believes that the time has come

for Planning Board members to be voted in during general elections.

Selectmen voted unanimously on Monday to draft a warrant article for the upcoming town

meeting that will ask residents whether such a change to the Town Charter should be implemented. If the residents agree with McCoy, the matter would

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## 50 yrs of dedication to democracy

*Barbara Sullivan founded Wilmington's League of Women Voters*

**WILMINGTON** - Members of the League of Women Voters of Wilmington, along with several elected officials including Selectman Ray Lepore, Rep. Jim Miceli, and Sen. Bruce Tarr recently honored Barbara Sullivan for 50 years of service to the League and the Town. The event was well attended with representation from the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts, local League members past and present, and

Barbara's daughters and grandchildren.

Barbara Sullivan joined the League of Women Voters of Reading, Massachusetts before spearheading the drive to organize the Wilmington chapter in 1961. Through the years she has mentored and been a role model for many individuals in the community. Her interests are many and varied; they include but are not limited to Housing, Health Care, Conflict Resolution, Zoning, Conservation, and Water Quality. In the future she plans to remain involved at the local level but will concentrate her efforts on Conflict Resolution on the National level.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan grass roots organization whose mission is to encourage informed participation of citizens in government. Membership is open to



Barbara Sullivan began her service to the League of Women Voters before a Wilmington chapter even existed. She soon remedied that situation.

Courtesy photo

all citizens (men and women) 18 years of age and over. For more information on the

League, send an email to LWVWilmington@comcast.net

### WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILMINGTON, MA 01887 **EARLY CHILDHOOD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Children entering the Wilmington Public Schools, either Kindergarten or First Grade, must register during

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**BOUTWELL EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

8:30 - 10:30 and 12:15 - 2:15

If your child reaches age five(5) on or before August 31, 2008 he/she should register for Kindergarten at this time.

If your child reaches age six(6) on or before August 31, 2008 he/she should register for First Grade at this time, if not already attending a Wilmington Public School Kindergarten program.

In accordance with School Committee policy, no child will be registered to enter first grade if he/she has not turned six prior to August 31, 2008 even if they have completed a kindergarten program elsewhere.

The following items must be presented at the time of registration

- Original birth certificate
- Proof of residency i.e., current tax bill, utility receipt, rent receipt. (A diver's license or excise tax will not be accepted)
- If you are neither the homeowner nor the renter but residing in someone's home then we will need a current notarized letter stating such.

**NOTE:** Parents registering children for Kindergarten will also register at this time for the Early Childhood Kindergarten/Preschool screening. This screening will be conducted in May, further information will be provided at the time of registration. Also, screening is available to three (3) and four (4) year olds whose parents believe that their child has a reasonable likelihood of having any disabilities. Parents of three (3) and four (4) year olds wishing to have their child screened may also register during the above dates at the Boutwell and Wildwood Early Childhood Centers.

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Cub Scouts Freddy Keenan and Brian LeFebvre watched cars race at the Pine Wood Derby held at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks on Saturday.  
(photo by Maureen Lamouroux - www.shootingstarspdx.com)

## Scouting for food

Boy Scouts in the greater Lowell area are hitting the streets this February to fight a growing problem in our area: hunger. They will be collecting food for distribution to local agencies and food pantries and are asking for your help.

Don't be surprised in Westford, Wilmington and Tewksbury if you see some Cub Scouts collecting bags of food in your neighborhood, in Chelmsford, Dunstable and Dracut if a Boy Scout asks you for a donation outside your grocery store, or in Billerica, Tyngsboro and Lowell if a venture crew is unloading boxes of groceries at the food pantry. All of these Scouts are performing a Good Turn for America, a national call to service by the Boy Scouts of America to help provide adequate food and shelter and develop good health habits in this nation. Scouting for Food is the component of

this program that connects Scouts to local solutions for hunger.

They are all aware of the increasing financial challenges in these communities. There have been many recent news articles describing the plight of struggling neighbors and the difficult choices they're being forced to make. Hunger is a problem common to many families this time of year, when household (energy) expenses run high, but it is particularly severe this year. By some estimates the number of individu-

als needing food assistance is up over 30%. Meanwhile federal and state funding of assistance programs is being cut. In this situation it is clear that your donation and the efforts of your local Scouts can make a difference.

When a Scout asks you to make a difference, please consider what a jar of peanut butter or a can of tuna might mean to some of your neighbors. As they join in Scouting for Food they're making stronger communities.



the Tewksbury Community of Artists exhibit opened up at Tewksbury Public Library last Saturday. The art will remain on display through March 5. John Willegal, standing alongside one of his photographs, is just one of the local artists with work on display.  
www.chinappi.com

## It's Your Money

by Joyce Brisbois



### CHILD-CARE BREAKS

Child-care costs are a major issue for many working parents. It's smart to take advantage of every tax break available.

Many expenses—home or day-care, even day camp—may qualify for child-care credit of \$3,000 for one child, \$6,000 for more than one child. This is available only if both spouses work (if there are two spouses) or are actively looking for work. The tax credit is between 20 to 35 percent of actual costs, depending on income.

Alternatively, if there is a flexible spending account, it will allow workers to pay child-care costs with pretax dollars. If the costs exceed FSA amount (\$5,000), they can apply for a credit for the excess.

Which is better? That depends on income. For couples with a taxable income over \$63,700 on a joint return and an FSA availability, the FSA usually saves more in taxes. But for lower-income families, a tax credit generally provides more savings.

When it comes to crunching the numbers, come to the tax people at:

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# RMLD joins Energy Star

**READING** - Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) has joined the national Energy Star® Change a Light, Change the World campaign, a growing community of businesses, schools, utilities, non-profit organizations, individuals and countless others who have made a firm commitment to help change the world, one light — one energy-saving step — at a time.

As part of this national initiative, RMLD plans to encourage 1,000 individuals to pledge to replace at least one standard bulb or fixture at home with one that has earned the government's Energy Star label, as an important step to save energy and join the fight against global climate change. RMLD will kick off its effort on February 15, 2008. One thousand pledges could save 282,000 kilowatt-hours, a savings of \$35,775, and prevent 409,000 pounds of greenhouse gas emissions.

"Like an increasing number of organizations, we want to do our part to reduce our country's greenhouse gas emissions and play a role in fighting climate change," said RMLD General Manager Vinnie Cameron. "We are proud to spread the word about the difference individuals in our community can make by acting

together to take energy-saving steps at home."

RMLD encourages its customers to make a simple, yet meaningful commitment by taking the online Energy Star Change a Light Pledge. Lighting accounts for about 20 percent of the typical home's electricity use. Replacing standard lights typically left on longest at home with energy-efficient options that use 75% less energy is a significant way to cut energy costs while also preventing greenhouse gas emissions from power plants. To take the pledge, simply:

- Log on to [www.rmld.com](http://www.rmld.com),
- Click the scroll bar Energy Star's Change a Light, Change the World, (links to [www.energystar.gov/changealight](http://www.energystar.gov/changealight)),

- Select Reading Municipal Light Department (default is set here) and take the pledge! Help demonstrate that

- RMLD customers are a significant part of this vital national movement.

"Becoming part of the solution to global climate change takes less time and effort than you might think. In fact, it can start by taking energy-saving steps at home as simple as changing a light," said Wendy Reed of the Environmental Protection Agency.



Cub Scout Pack 361 Webelos had a great time making pizza under the guidance of Matt DiPasquale at Rocco's Restaurant. Making their own pies are (clockwise from lower left) Mason Ouellette, Trevor Worthington, Gregory Sullivan, Tommy Dunett, Kyle Mirabito, Zachary Thomas and Noah Shanning and Matt DiPasquale. Pack 361 is sponsored by the Wilmington United Methodist Church and meets on Monday nights at the church.  
(courtesy photo)

## Wilmington High School Honor Roll

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Sherin Chakoian  
Elizabeth Crannell  
Dana Ferranti  
Lance Flaherty  
Michael Kelly  
Jacqueline Lyman  
Bryanne Mara  
Brendan Mooney  
John Moriarty  
Adele Musicant  
Meghan Ryan  
Omair Shaikh  
Alex Song  
Christina Tran  
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Lena Bishop  
Bridget Blaisdell  
Lauren Cole  
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Allison Danciewicz  
Alyssa Florentino  
Amy Fisher  
Catrina Fryer  
Nathan Harvey  
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Kellie Moon  
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Jenna Whooley  
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Alyssa Brown  
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Amanda Ciulla  
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Jessica Crowley  
Akshay Dave  
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Jennifer DiNuccio  
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Justin Kaufman  
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Anthony Liberatore  
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Kristen O'Brien  
Lynne Olson  
Kristin Ozelis  
Mitul Patel  
Timothy Perkins  
Leah Potcner

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Brett Robbins  
Alicia Schuurman  
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Amella Smith  
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Francis Stevens  
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Jaclyn Sugrue  
Balakrishna Vemula  
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Kendra Burke  
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Elizabeth Crupi  
Dinelson DeLaCruz  
Mark DelRossi  
Daniel Dinh  
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Ryan Parker  
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Erica Savage  
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Jonathan Spurr  
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Stephanie Woods  
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Richard Barry  
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Evan Butters  
Nicole Cataldo  
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Sarah Colosimo  
Ian Conway  
Alexandra Copp  
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Ceara Dembowski  
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Katelyn Hyes  
Katherine Hill  
Amanda Holenbeck  
Jeffrey Kannally  
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James Magnarelli  
Dhruv Manek  
Michael Mazzei  
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## Letters to the editor

### Generosity breeds success

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the United States Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program, we would like to thank the following businesses, schools, and organizations for their support by allowing us to place toy donation boxes at their establishments. We would also like to thank the Wilmington Town Crier for promoting our autograph sessions, which raised toys for the program as well.

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Wilmington High School  
Wilmington Senior Center  
Wilmington Town Crier  
Wilmington Town Hall  
Winchester Hospital Family Medical Center  
Woodbrier of Wilmington  
World of Learning, Burlington  
Because of the continued generosity of these organizations and the certainly the people who donated toys, many local families were able to have a brighter holiday season. Once again, thank you!

Karen and Frank West  
Area Coordinators  
US Marine Corps Reserve  
Toys for Tots

### Great first season for TOPS

Dear Editor,

Caryn Goulet, Ed Celli, and I would like to publicly thank all those who were involved in making the TOPSoccer program's first season so successful.

All of our children have been involved with the Wilmington Recreation department's basketball program for many years. We felt it was extremely important for all the children of Wilmington and surrounding towns to be able to have a program that was adapted to fit their needs. So with the help of Mike Cairn, Town Manager, and Deb Cipriani of the Rec Dept, we set out to create an indoor sports program for children with special needs that mirrors the outdoor TOPSoccer program that is held in conjunction with Wilmington's youth soccer program.

Because this was a new program we needed to figure out the logistics of where we could host the children. Mr. Ferriero of the North Intermediate School let us use the school cafeteria. Wilmington's Recreation Dept was able to supply us with hoops, basketballs, an assortment of other items to use during our program, and T-shirts were given to our players. Greg Potcner of Wilmingtontrophy.com was

able to give each and every player a trophy. I heard from several parents that once those trophies were presented to the children, they never let them go! Some even slept with their trophies because they were so proud of earning them.

This program couldn't even begin to get off its feet without the wonderful help of all our coaches. Middle school, high school students and even adults work with the children one on one to make sure they are learning some rules of the game and moving around and giving encouragement to the players. These coaches came voluntarily to the program and absolutely loved playing with the kids. Some have been coaches for years now and are asking their friends and siblings to join them.

If anyone is interested in playing or coaching for the spring TOPSoccer program, please email me at auntini2007@verizon.net for more information.

We wanted to say thanks again for a job well done and we certainly appreciate everyone's help to make this a great program.

Sincerely,  
Niki Wilson  
Wilmington

### Risks too great

Dear Editor,

The people of Tewksbury are coming together to voice their opposition to the proposed 348-Mega Watt, six-smokestack power plant that is currently under consideration for siting in North Billerica, just a few hundred feet from our town line. Our Selectmen are to be commended for coming out in unanimous opposition to this plant. Not only does Billerica need to be a good neighbor, it needs to be a leader in health and safety and oppose this very ill-conceived, private, for-profit plant. The health of the residents of Tewksbury, Billerica, Chelmsford and Lowell is at stake.

To that end, I would encourage residents to visit <http://www.billericapowerplant.org>. Get informed. Write your officials. Tell your neighbors. See for yourself the location and proximity to homes, schools, parks and daycare facilities. The risks to air quality, our drinking water supply, resident safety and Concord River ecology are clear and significant. This plant, if built,

will forever change the complexion of the Merrimack Valley.

Join the Campaign to Stop the Power Plant by donating to the opposition effort. Contribute to the Billerica Watchers, PO Box 32, Billerica, MA 0182 in any amount you can offer. A decision could come from the Energy Facilities Siting Board as early as February 19, 2008. If the plant is sited, the decision will be appealed in the courts, which is a significant legal effort. To date, the Billerica Watchers, as interveners, have successfully stalled the process. Ground might have been broken as early as November 2007 was it not for their efforts. While residents in Tewksbury, Chelmsford, Lowell and Billerica have been working tirelessly to get the word out, the time has come to take this fight to the next level. Ambivalence will not protect your lungs from the particulate matter emitted from the smokestacks if this plant is built.

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Tewksbury

## Casey Downy chosen as a finalist in the National American Miss Pageant

WILMINGTON - Miss Casey Ann Downy, age 11, has been chosen as a State Finalist in the National American Miss Massachusetts pageant to be held August 9, 2008 at the Marriot Hotel in Burlington, Ma. The pageant is held for girls ages 10 through 12.

The winner of the pageant will receive a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and banner, a bouquet of roses, and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Disneyland in California. Pageants are held for girls ages four to eighteen, in five age groups.

The National American Miss pageants are dedicated to celebrating America's greatness and encouraging its future leaders. Each year, the pageant awards thousands in scholarships and prizes to recognize and assist in the development of young women nationwide. All activities are age-appropriate and family-oriented.

Families interested in learning more about this unique and outstanding youth program

may visit [www.namiss.com](http://www.namiss.com).

The National American Miss pageants are for "Today's Girl" and "Tomorrow's Leaders." The pageant program is based on inner beauty, as well as poise and presentation, and offers an "All-American spirit of fun for family and friends." Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition, and setting and achieving personal goals. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishments of each girl while encouraging her to set goals for the future.

Miss Downy's activities include after school sports, dance, and chorus. She also enjoys learning the guitar, painting, drawing and writing shorty mystery stories.

She is sponsored by Integrity Building and Remodeling in Wilmington, her friends and family.



## Saints Paramedic team introduce life saving treatments

LOWELL - Saints Medical Center paramedics, also known as "Greater Lowell EMS" are the first 911 Advanced Life Support (ALS) medics in Massachusetts to offer a new combination of potentially life-saving treatments at the scene of a sudden cardiac arrest in the community. Saints paramedics now bring "therapeutic hypothermia," the RESQPOD™ threshold impedance device and the EZ IO™ intraosseous vascular access device to life threatening cardiac emergency events, increasing the chances of survival and improving the functional outcomes of those who survive.

This month, Saints introduced the first paramedic initiated therapeutic hypothermia program in the region, starting the life and brain saving cooling process right out in the field, at the earliest possible time. The therapy uses a combination of external cooling and internal cooling with chilled intravenous (IV) saline infusions. Previously, this therapy was induced when the patient arrived at the Medical Center. Research indicates that those who receive the earliest therapeutic hypothermia treatment have the best chance of surviving a sudden cardiac arrest and retaining the best brain possible function.

Saints paramedics are also using the RESQPOD™, a small device that is attached to the breathing tube placed by paramedics into the windpipe of a patient in cardiac arrest. The device creates a vacuum effect on blood vessels in the chest and helps to draw life-sustaining blood into a stopped heart

as it is being pumped artificially by CPR.

The third weapon in their arsenal, the EZ IO™ device, allows Saints paramedics to insert a catheter directly into the bone marrow of a critically ill patient's shin, ankle or shoulder bones with a special medical drill. Once inserted, the EZ IO™ allows paramedics to rapidly infuse lifesaving fluids and drugs. In several cases, the EZ IO™ has enabled Saints paramedics to make the critical difference in saving the lives of patients with collapsed veins from poor heart function or massive blood loss. These are situations where establishing standard intravenous access may be delayed or impossible. Saints paramedics are the first to deploy the EZ IO™ device in the field in the Greater Lowell area and the Saints Emergency Department physicians also utilize the EZ IO™, when necessary. Combining the EZ IO™ and RESQPOD™ with better CPR and other new treatments such as therapeutic hypothermia, offers the best chance for improving survival and functional outcome.

"We are excited to again be the first to offer the Greater Lowell community new, cutting edge, lifesaving treatments through our expert paramedic teams," said Ben Podsiadlo, director of Saints paramedics. "All Saints paramedics are trained on therapeutic hypothermia and the RESQPOD™ and EZ IO™ devices."

To provide therapeutic hypothermia, Saints paramedics chill several intravenous (IV) fluids to 4 to 5

degrees Celsius in portable temperature controlled medical coolers that have been installed on the Saints rapid response medic units. "Once the Saints paramedics initiate therapeutic hypothermia care in the field, the patient then flows through our fully integrated Emergency Department, Cardiac Catheterization Lab and Intensive Care Unit," added Erin Boutin, RN, Saints Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory manager. "We work as one team committed to the patient's best outcome."

In 2007, Saints instituted the first in-hospital therapeutic hypothermia protocol in the Merrimack Valley. It was quickly put to work when the Saints therapeutic hypothermia protocol saved the life of Tyngsboro resident Bihari Patel. "We can save lives because the paramedics recognize a heart attack out in the field and activate the critical care team at the hospital," said Kirk MacNaught, MD, interventional cardiologist at Saints. "We are called in and ready when the patient arrives. In that sense, we are ahead of the curve."

Established in 1983, Saints paramedics were the first ALS team in the Merrimack Valley. "After 25 years of excellence, Saints paramedics continue to be the first to bring the very latest in specialized treatments directly out into the community," said Ryan Searle, MD, Saints ALS medical director.

"Saints Medical Center is committed to saving the lives of heart attack victims," stated Michael Guley, Saints president and CEO. "We are successfully

linking our state-of-the-art paramedic service and its cutting edge therapies with the community's superb first responders and our highly trained team of Saints physicians, nurses and allied health staff to provide the best cardiac care available in the region." The Saints strategy for increasing survival and promoting best outcomes from sudden cardiac arrest is in accordance with the most current recommendations of the American Heart Association and other sudden cardiac arrest survival efforts, such as the Take Heart America program.

Saints Medical Center is a nonprofit, full service, acute care community hospital serving Greater Lowell and the Merrimack Valley since 1839. A 181-bed licensed medical center, Saints provides advanced health services to 315,000 residents in 25 towns. With nearly 400 physicians and 1,500 employees, Saints Medical Center is well known for outstanding medical care and patient-centered facilities including our Cancer Center, Family Birth Unit, Orthopedic Center and Cardiovascular Services. Saints also offers convenient community-based care at several ambulatory sites and is dedicated to promoting health and wellness in the community. We have clinical affiliations with the leading Boston academic medical centers and are proud to be one of the top-rated hospitals in Massachusetts according to the Joint Commission for the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

## Countie's killer pleads insanity

By CHARITY B. LEGVOLD

BRENTWOOD, N.H. - Sheila LaBarre, the Epping, NH woman accused of killing a 24-year-old Wilmington man and then incinerating his body on her horse farm in March of 2006, pleaded not guilty of murder by reason of insanity in a New Hampshire court Tuesday.

LaBarre, 49, stands accused in the death of Kenneth Countie, 24, who had recently moved to New Hampshire from Wilmington and had been living with LaBarre for several weeks before his disappearance. Countie was last seen at LaBarre's 115-acre horse farm on March 17, 2006 and he was reported missing March 23 of that year.

The Union Ledger reports that LaBarre admitted in court Tuesday morning that "the state could prove she murdered not only Massachusetts resident Kenneth Countie, but a second man, Michael Deloge.

Such an admission indicates her belief that the state has enough evidence to convict her in both cases, but a guilty by reason of insanity plea contends that she was not legally responsible at the time of the murders.

According to a report in the Eagle Tribune, "Prosecutors plan to fight LaBarre's plea in Rockingham County Superior

Court, saying her sometimes erratic behavior chronicled by police shouldn't allow her to dodge first-degree murder charges."

"The state does not accept that Sheila LaBarre was insane at the time of the murder," Assistant Attorney General Kirsten Wilson reportedly told the Eagle Tribune. "We anticipate having a full trial on that matter and putting it before a jury."

If LaBarre is not found insane, she faces life in prison with no chance of parole. If, however, the court finds LaBarre insane, she will be committed to the state hospital instead, and will be re-evaluated every five years for possible release.

The defense lost its bid to bar evidence, including bone fragments that police recovered from smoldering piles in LaBarre's front yard, from the trial.

Prosecutors will be allowed to use statements that LaBarre made to police - including statements in which she claims that Countie's remains are those of a rabbit or a pedophile. The Eagle Tribune credits LaBarre's lawyer as pointing to those statements as proof that his client, "was mentally unstable and becoming more unhinged as the police investigation into Countie's disappear-

ance focused on her."

With an insanity plea, the court will forego the evidentiary trial and move directly to an insanity trial, set to begin on May 5.

In addition to the criminal

charges, LaBarre is also facing a wrongful death lawsuit file by Countie's family. LaBarre inherited a 115-acre horse farm and sizable wealth following the death of her common law husband several years ago.

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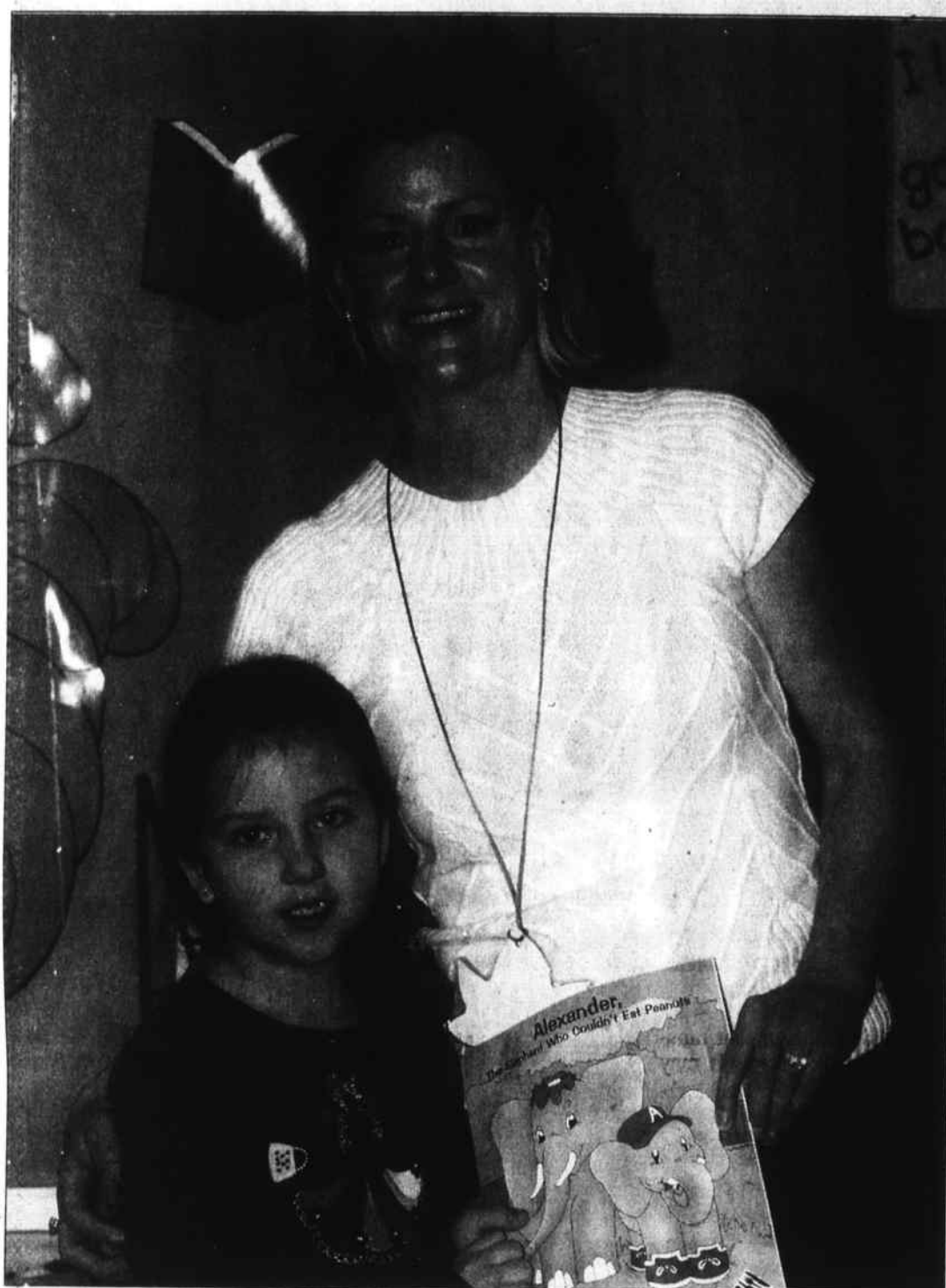
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# Let's Hear it!!

## Your Two Cents...



Mary Woods, a parent of a Boutwell students, visited the Boutwell last week and taught the students about food allergies. She gave each student, including Jocelyn White, a coloring book about Alexander the Elephant who couldn't eat peanuts. For more information on food allergies go to [www.foodallergy.org](http://www.foodallergy.org).

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux - [www.shootingstarspix.com](http://www.shootingstarspix.com))

### UMass Dartmouth Dean's & Chancellor's lists

Below are the names of University of Massachusetts Dartmouth students who have been named to either the Chancellor's list (grade point average 3.8 or higher out of a possible 4.0) or Dean's List (grade point average 3.2 or higher out of a possible 4.0) for the Fall 2007 Semester.

#### Chancellor's list

Jason Donohue, Tewksbury  
Victor S Dellisola, Wilmington

#### Dean's list

Christina F. Coleman, Tewksbury  
Sara A Faulkner, Tewksbury  
Vy Tran Hoang, Tewksbury  
Chris B Mannetta, Tewksbury  
Kelleigh A O'Brien, Tewksbury  
Brian Raiden, Tewksbury  
Katie Rose Arsenault, Wilmington  
Christopher Mark Azevedo, Wilmington  
Jenna Ann Balinski, Wilmington  
Raymond Paul Bennett, Wilmington  
Kate Marie Bresnahan, Wilmington  
Michael James Haepers, Wilmington  
Eric James Legro, Wilmington  
Jordan Noelle Lydon, Wilmington

I have lived on Bridge Street in Tewksbury for many years and I am appalled at the amount of trash and litter that ends up on this street. Over the past few years it has become worse. What kind of people live in this Town anyway? How do you just throw trash out a car window. I realize a lot of this is probably teenagers (I would think adults have more sense), but are they really so careless as to litter their hometown. At any given time you can find beer cases, soda bottles, fast food bags, beer bottles, coffee cups, cigarette boxes, papers, even bags of clothes. It's a disgrace to drive down this street. Have some pride in your Town and use a trash can.

Tewksbury

I just wanted to say that the kids at the middle school are doing a great job with Paw Prints. I enjoyed reading it and look forward to the next one.

Wilmington

Just so people get it right, no, there are still no cameras on the school buses, not one of them! No, there is no protection for your child until it's too late and after the fact. What's it going to take before it is done? Ask your child what it's like on the school bus, a video tape is worth a thousand words and the safety of our children.

Wilmington

(editor's note: cameras are physically on the school buses and will be activated as soon as the School Committee approves a policy concerning parental notification. The School Committee hopes to approve the policy as of March 1. It should be noted also that Wilmington is not behind the curve on this issue, but is actually at the forefront. Wilmington is one of very few communities in the area to have cameras in its school buses. Peabody and Whittier Tech were the only two school systems that our research identified as having cameras on school buses.)

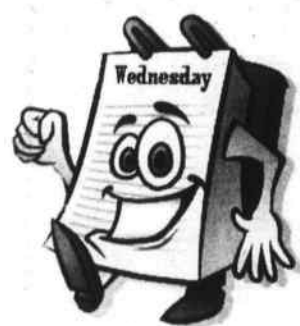
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# Community Calendar

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#### Wilmington

Thurs. February 14th: Board of Assessors & Finance Committee meetings at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Fri. February 15th: 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce Comedy Night, cash bar and raffle. At Shriner's Auditorium \$15/person, Call Nancy Vallee 978-657-7211

Mon. & Tues. February 18th -19th: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., The Wilmington Police will be offering Citizen CPR classes at the Wilmington Public Safety Building. These courses are free. Go to [www.wpd.com](http://www.wpd.com) for an application

Tues. February 19th: 3-5 p.m. The Dungeons and Dragons group will meet at the Wilmington public library. Beginners through advanced players, sixth grade and older, are welcome.

Tues. February 19th: Registration begins for preschool story times at the Wilmington public library. Introduce your young child to books, flannel board stories, songs, circle games and finger plays. Registration may be made by visiting the Children's Room or by calling (978) 694-2098.

Tues. February 19th: Board of Health, Finance Committee, Library Trustees & Planning Board meetings at the Wilmington Town Hall.

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Wed. February 20th: 2-3 p.m. The Wilmington public library will be hosting a demo on the science of swordplay. Registration is open now. All participants need a permission slip (available at the library) signed by a parent or guardian.

Wed. February 20th: Conservation Committee meeting at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Thurs. February 21st: Elderly Services, Finance Committee, Master Plan Committee & Water and Sewer meetings at the Wilmington Town Hall

Thurs. February 21st: 6-8 p.m. The Wilmington public library will host a teen board game night. They provide the games along with snacks and drinks.

Fri. February 22nd: 11 a.m. Celebrate some of America's greatest presidents at the Wilmington public library with stories and crafts chosen for five year-olds and older. Visit or call the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098

Sat. February 23rd: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Learn to create a Russian nested doll at the Wilmington public library This program is appropriate for adults and families with children 6 and up. Registration is required. Please call 978-694-2098.

Sun. February 24th: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., The Wilmington

Community Blood Drive will take place at the Masonic Hall located at 32 Church St. Wilmington, Call 1-800-448-3543 for more information. This event is sponsored by the Mom's Club of Wilmington.

Mon. February 25th: Board of Selectman & Community Development meetings at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Mon. February 25th: 6 p.m. An Alzheimer's Support group will be at the Wilmington Health Care Center 750 Woburn St. Wilmington Ma 01887 If interested in attending, please Contact Jodie Garinger at (978) 909-2121 Refreshments will be served.

Mon & Tues February 25-26th: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. John Webster will present an exhibit of World War II memorabilia on the second floor at the Wilmington public library.

Tues. February 26th: Finance Committee meetings at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Wed. February 27th: School Committee meetings at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Wed. February 27th: 10 a.m. There will be a Peter Sheridan Concert at the Wilmington public library. A variety of songs, musical instruments, puppets and books chosen especially for the young child will be featured. Tickets are free and may be reserved by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098

Thurs. February 28th:

Finance Committee meeting at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Friday, March 7th: 7 p.m. bringing you back to the 70's and 80's with the Wilmington Lacrosse fundraising dance at the Tewksbury Country Club <http://www.wilmingtonathletic.com/Lacrosse/>

#### Tewksbury

February - March 4: 2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. The Tewksbury public library will host a group photography exhibit To participate, please contact Elaine - craftygal11@msn.com. For more information on the Tewksbury Community of Artists, please visit [www.tewksburyinfo.com](http://www.tewksburyinfo.com)

Fri. February 15th: 9:00 a.m. A "Subsidy Assistance Information Seminar" will be held at the Tewksbury Library Community Room. The public is welcome to attend.

Sat. February 16th: 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. The Red Hat Carnation Belles will hold their Anniversary Dinner at the Tewksbury Country Club. This event will include the presentation "Let Go and Lighten UP" by Lisa Wessan. Tickets are \$25/Belle and are now available at the Senior Center

Sun. February 17th: There will be a Worship Service and a Youth Group at the Tewksbury United Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551, E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com).

Mon. February 18th: There

will be a Spring Clean-Up and Country Line Dancing at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Tues. February 19th: There will be Martha Mary, Country Line Dancing and a Church Council Meeting at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Wed. February 20th: There will be Choir Practice and Country Line Dancing at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Thurs. February 21st: There will be Country Line Dancing at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Fri. February 22nd: 7-9 p.m. There will be a Spring Clean-Up (Kitchen) at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Sat. February 23rd: 10 a.m. There will be a Spring Clean-Up (Boiler Room) at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Sun. February 24th: 10 a.m. There will be a Worship Service at the Tewksbury Methodist Church call or email for more

info (978)-658-9551; E-mail: [twksunc@juno.com](mailto:twksunc@juno.com);

Sun. February 24th: 7:30 p.m. Tewksbury Interfaith Choir is starting its rehearsals for the annual Spring Concert. Rehearsals are held at the Tewksbury Congregational Church in the center of Tewksbury. For more information call Arlene Wright at (978) 851-2809.

Sat. March 8th: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., United Methodist Church, spring craft fair, fee is \$40/table. Call 978-658-9551 to purchase

Thurs. March 20th: 6:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m., Tewksbury High PAC sponsored Team Trivia night. Fee \$20/person or \$200/Table Call 978-851-7545 or 978-851-8633

Wed. April 2nd: 5-8 p.m. The event is one of Tewksbury's biggest food-tasting events, and a fun social event with music, raffles and a silent auction held at the Tewksbury Country Club, 85 Livingston Street, Tewksbury. Call Jim Hickey 978-851-8945 or Gabrielle Bronner, 978-851-5901.

Thurs mornings: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon SHINE Counselor Emily Kearns, advise the elderly on the various medical insurance Policies available to those residents 65 and over. To arrange an appointment, One may contact Linda Brabant, 978-640-4481 on Thursday mornings.



## WCTV Tenth Annual "Donations from the Heart" Food Drive breaks record

WILMINGTON - The Tenth Annual WCTV "Donations From The Heart" Food Drive to benefit the Wilmington Food Pantry exceeded all expectations by receiving 19 shopping carts full of food for needy families in Wilmington. That total beat the amount received in 2007 by one shopping cart, which had been WCTV's best food drive to date.

Many of the people donating food items wrote out Valentine messages for their loved ones that were shown on the WCTV community bulletin board on

Comcast Channel 9, Verizon channel 37 on Valentine's Day. The Market Basket in Wilmington graciously hosted the annual WCTV Donations from the Heart Food Drive, and John Odea and his staff were especially helpful during the busy Saturday morning shopping hours.

WCTV member of the Board of Directors Sandra Curtin and WCTV volunteer Jim Durkee lead the contingency of volunteers in helping with the food drive. Wilmington High School

students Megan Torres, Meghan Ryan, Frank Stevens and Kyle Serino handed the all-important duty of distributing shopping lists of food desperately needed by the Wilmington Food Pantry.

Also helping in the planning and promotion were WCTV staffers Alex DiNatale and Veronica Gordinn, who were seen multiple times by WCTV viewers in the public service announcement.

"Without the help of all of the volunteers, WCTV would not have come close to the excep-

tional total of donations for the Wilmington Food Pantry," said Michael Morrissey, Community Relations Director of WCTV who managed the event. "The people of Wilmington, and surrounding communities, who shopped at the Market basket last Saturday really opened up their hearts for the families in need in our community. It's a testament to their generosity because mid-winter is when the Wilmington Food Pantry really needs a restocking."

## Creative Play: Wilmington Recreation Department

Play and learn with the Rec Dept. Children ages two through four will engage in activities including arts, crafts, stories and music. Each class will use a new theme to stimulate your child's imagination.

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To register for this or other Recreation Department programs stop by Town Hall, Room 8. For more information, call (978) 658 - 4270



Jim Durkee assists a shopper donating items for the Wilmington Food Pantry at the Donations from the Heart Food Drive at the Wilmington Market Basket. Courtesy photo

## Tewksbury Senior Topics

### Are you 65+? Apply for the Circuit Breaker

A "Subsidy Assistance Information Seminar" will be held at Tewksbury Police Headquarters Community Room, 918 Main Street, February 15th beginning at 9:00 a.m. Tewksbury Chief Assessor, Jay Kelley and Mike McDonough from Community Teamwork will focus on aid programs offered to low and moderate income residents. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

An Activities meeting will be held, February 15th at the Senior Center, 460 East Street beginning at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Those people attending the Carnation Belles Fourth Anniversary Dinner at the Tewksbury Country Club this Saturday, February 16th are reminded that the event begins at 12:00 noon with a "Let Go and Lighten Up" presentation by motivational speaker Lisa Wessan, MSW, LCSW.

The Senior Center will be closed Monday, February 18th, in recognition of President's Day.

The Council on Aging will hold its regular monthly meeting next Thursday, February 21st at the Senior Center, 460 East Street beginning at 3:30

p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

AARP Volunteers have started to help Senior Citizens with their tax returns. To arrange an appointment, one may call the Senior Center at 978-640-4480. Be sure to leave a telephone number when signing up. The Director will call those on the list to schedule an appointment time.

Appointments will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This is a free service. Those people having tax returns done should bring along the following:

all tax information and last year's tax return: W-2 form, Social Security and pension information, tax forms from financial institutions, banks, estimated tax forms if applicable and one's health insurance information which is needed when filing this year.

Those Senior Citizens 65 and over should also note that one may apply for a Circuit Breaker Tax Credit if during 2007 one paid rent for a non-subsidized apartment or one paid real estate taxes on property with an assessed value under \$772,000. One must also meet the income limits. A single person cannot make over

\$48,000; a head of the household over \$60,000; and, a married couple filing jointly over \$72,000. The Circuit Breaker Tax Credit pertains to those whose real estate tax payments were greater than 10% of one's total income. If one does not file a tax return, he/she may still apply for a Circuit Breaker Tax Credit if they meet the above requirements.

If one is unsure whether or not he/she qualifies for the Circuit Breaker Tax Credit, it would be wise to make an appointment and have the Tax Assistant help determine your situation.

The Department of Elder Affairs has also notified Councils on Aging that with this new tax season there have been a wave of new scams. It should be noted that 'no government entity requires bank account information prior to issuance of payment due the recipient'. Also, one should never give this information or any other personal information to anyone soliciting over the telephone.

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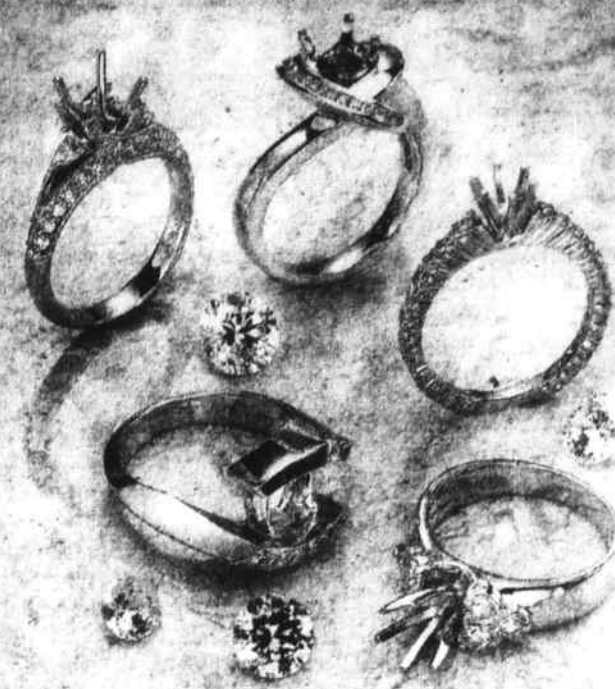
phone the following number: 888-382-1222. This number connects one to the national do not call list operated by the Federal Trade Commission. By registering with this commission, it will block calls from your number for five (5) years. It may take up to 30 days for the blocking to take effect. If one changes his/her cell phone number, one must call the Commission again.

SHINE Counselor, Emily Kearns, holds office hours at the Tewksbury Senior Center on Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. SHINE Counselors advise the elderly on the various medical insurance policies available to those residents 65 and over. To arrange an appointment, one may contact Linda Brabant who will in turn pass on your inquiry to Ms. Kearns. Ms. Kearns may be reached at 978-640-4481 on Thursday mornings.

If there is a program or activity that one would especially like to see at the new Center, please drop-off one's idea/suggestion at the Senior Center (White House), 460 East Street or e-mail the Director at l b r a b a n t @ t o w n . t e w k s b u r y . m a . u s .

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## Local students named to Dean's List at the University of Vermont

BURLINGTON VT - The following students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2007 semester at the University of Vermont:

Patrick Cullity, of Tewksbury, a first-year Business Administration major in the School of Business Administration

Elyse Gambardella, of Wilmington, a senior Psychology major in the College of Arts & Sciences

To be named to the Dean's Lists, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

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# OBITUARIES

## Mary Virginia Gillis

Inspector for Gillette for over 20 years.

WILMINGTON - Mary Virginia Gillis, lovingly known as "Mimi", of Wilmington, died Wednesday, February 6, 2008, at home surrounded by her family. Mary was born 77 years ago on December 1, 1930, she was the beloved daughter of the late Malcolm and Annie (Connors) Gillis.

Mary was a life-long resident of Wilmington and was educated in the Wilmington School Systems. Prior to retiring, Mary was employed as an inspector for the Gillette Company in Andover for over 20 years.

Mary was a very generous and kind person, she was extremely devoted to her family and they will miss her dearly. She will also be remembered for her love of animals.

Mary was the dear sister of Edward Gillis and his wife Catherine and Eleanor Cameron and her husband

William all of Wilmington, Richard Gillis and his wife Joyce of Lexington, George Gillis and his wife Dorothy of North Reading, and the late Mary Theresa Gillis, loving "Mimi" to many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and friends.

Mary's services took place from the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Tuesday, February 12th, at 8:45 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Thomas Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington at 10:00 a.m., which was celebrated by Fr. Philip Earley. Interment took place in the family lot at Wildwood Cemetery in Wilmington.

Memorial donation's in Mary's name may be made to VNA of Middlesex-East & Visiting Nurse Hospice, 607 North Ave., Suite 17, Wakefield, MA 01880.

## Daniel S. "Dan" Glover

Design Engineer for Dewberry; 58

TEWKSBURY - Daniel S. "Dan" Glover, age 58, died Wednesday, February 6, 2008, at his Tewksbury home, surrounded by his loving family, following a courageous three month battle with Pancreatic Cancer. He was born in the Jamaica Plain section of Boston on April 14, 1949, and was raised by Loretta and Charles McCann in Somerville. He graduated from the Somerville Trade School and went on to Wentworth Technical School in Boston. He moved his family to Tewksbury 16 years ago.

He worked for Dewberry company, an architectural design firm, for the past 40 years as a design engineer.

He was a member of the Everett Knights of Columbus, and was described by his family as having loved his home, yard work, backyard cookouts around the pool ending in bonfires, and listening to the Golden Oldies radio programming.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Angela M. (Tierno) Glover, with whom he had celebrated a 36th wedding anniversary this past September 5th; four children, Angela M. Auger and her husband Jason of Hudson, NH, Michael S. Glover of Tewksbury, Kristi L. Chinappi and her husband Thomas of Dracut, Jason D. Glover of Tewksbury; a daughter-in-law, Patricia (Getrost) Glover of Billerica; four grandchildren, Jake, Brandon, Jordan, and Miley; a sister, Mary C. Maillet and her husband Francis of Methuen; his father in law, Mario Tierno of Tewksbury and his wife the late Esther (Danieli) Tierno; and many nieces and nephews.

His Funeral Service was held Saturday, Feb. 9, at 11:00 a.m. in the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 in MA or 978) 851-2950. Burial will follow in Tewksbury Cemetery. Visiting hours Friday 4 to 8 in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Pancreatic Cancer Foundation; PanCAN, 2141 Rosecrans Ave., Suite 7000, El Segundo, CA 90245, or [www.pancan.org](http://www.pancan.org) <<http://www.pancan.org>> will be appreciated. [tewksburyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com)



ter-in-law, Patricia (Getrost) Glover of Billerica; four grandchildren, Jake, Brandon, Jordan, and Miley; a sister, Mary C. Maillet and her husband Francis of Methuen; his father in law, Mario Tierno of Tewksbury and his wife the late Esther (Danieli) Tierno; and many nieces and nephews.

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## Walter V. "Wally" Haley

Retired from Tewksbury Water Department; 81

TEWKSBURY - Walter V. "Wally" Haley, age 81, a retired Tewksbury town employee, died Wednesday afternoon February 6, 2008, at Saint's Medical Center in Lowell, following a brief illness. He was the husband of the late Phyllis (Lightfoot) Haley, who died in 1987.

He was born in Lowell, on October 20, 1926, a son of the late Richard J. and Sadie (Anderson) Haley. He moved to Tewksbury in the 1940's. He was a Town of Tewksbury, Water Department, heavy equipment operator for over 37 years when he retired in 1989.

In his later years, he was a

frequent visitor to the Tewksbury Senior Drop-In Center, and was a life-member of the Tewksbury Golden Age Club.

Wally leaves a daughter, Lisa Purcell of Lawrence, and many friends throughout the Merrimack Valley.

His Funeral Service was held Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 10:00 a.m. in the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851-2950. Burial will follow at Lowell Cemetery. Visiting hours were Monday 4 to 7 p.m. in the funeral home. [tewksburyfuneralhome.com](http://tewksburyfuneralhome.com)

## Dale W. Lobsien

Machinist, Elk of the Year in 1981; age 66

TEWKSBURY - Dale W. Lobsien, age 66, well known throughout the Merrimack Valley, died unexpectedly on Friday, February 8, 2008, at his Tewksbury residence. He was the husband of Patricia A. (Reale) Lobsien, with whom he had celebrated a 47th wedding anniversary this past July 17th.

He was born in Exeter, NH, on January 15, 1942, a son of the late Hans and Beulah (Jones) Lobsien. He had lived in Tewksbury since 1955, and graduated from Lowell Trade School in 1960.

He worked as a machinist, and was the founder of Lobsien Machine, which remains family owned and operated by his son Charles.

He was active in the affairs of the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Lodge, # 2070, and was honored by the group as Elk of the Year in 1981.

Besides his wife, he is survived by four children, Charles Lobsien and his wife Cathy Bradley of Wilmington, Kris Lobsien of Tewksbury, Cindy Lobsien of Newport, RI, and Derek Lobsien of Providence, RI; six grandchildren, Jonathan Lobsien, Melissa Lobsien, Nicole Bradley, Kyle Bradley, Zachary Lobsien-Welch, and Amanda Lobsien; a brother, James Lobsien and his



wife Lalaine of Huston, TX; his mother-in-law, Frances (Palladino) Reale of Tewksbury; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Edward and Patricia Reale, Paula and Howard Scott, and Susan Reale all of Tewksbury; and many nieces and nephews.

He was also father of the late William D. Lobsien, who died in 1994.

His Funeral Service was held Tuesday evening, Feb. 12, in the Tewksbury Funeral Home. Following cremation, private burial will be in Tewksbury Cemetery. Memorials to the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Lodge, Scholarship Fund, 777 South St. Tewksbury, MA, are encouraged, and will be appreciated. [tewksburyfuneralhome.com](http://tewksburyfuneralhome.com)

## Advance Caricature drawing class set for March

The Wilmington Recreation Department invites all students in grades 3 - 6 who have taken the Beginner Caricature Drawing program to join them for the Advance Caricature Drawing series from March 1 - 22, 2008. This four-week program will be held in the West Intermediate Art Room on Saturday mornings from 10 -

11:30 a.m. Cost is \$40 for the series, which includes all materials. Have fun while you improve your drawing skills! Pre-registration is required. To register for this or other Recreation Department programs stop by Town Hall, Room 8. For more information, call (978) 658 - 4270.

## Ann B. O'Connell

School bus driver for City of Lowell

WILMINGTON - Mrs. Ann B. (Smith) O'Connell, age 79, of Wilmington, formerly of Lowell, died Sunday, February 10, 2008, at the Wilmington Healthcare Center following a lengthy illness. Ann was born November 21, 1928, in Everett, MA, she was the daughter of the late August and Bertha (Vorderer) Smith. Ann grew up in the Wilmington area, she then moved to Lowell where she lived for over 25 years and was employed as a School Bus Driver for the city. She returned to Wilmington several years ago where she resided until her death. In her spare time Ann enjoyed arts and crafts and she was a talented home decorator. Ann also enjoyed spending time with her family, they will miss her dearly. She was the beloved wife of Charles P. O'Connell of Wilmington, the devoted mother of Brian Mohr & his wife Terry of Tyngsboro, Karen Lahaire of Florida, Donna Mercier, Jean Paul "JP" Ouellette and Steven Ouellette



all of Lowell, and the late Debbie Jean Ouellette, loving grandmother of 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, dear sister of Virginia Drohan of Wilmington, Ann is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Her Funeral Services were held at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Wednesday, February 13th at 11:00 a.m. Interment took place in Wildwood Cemetery.

## Diruhi S. Mattian

Social worker for Family Continuity, Inc.

WILMINGTON - Diruhi S. (Nalbandian) Mattian of Wilmington and formerly of Arlington died February 6, 2008. She was the devoted mother of Ani and Arminé and the loving sister of Karina and Tigran Matevosyan. Ms. Mattian is also survived by Haig Nalbandian, Sam, Suzanna, Vahan and Alex Der-Kazaryan, Dmitri Borovoy and Gayane Matevosyan.

Funeral services will be held at Saint Stephen's Armenian Apostolic Church, 38 Elton Avenue, Watertown on Thursday, February 14 at 11 a.m. Visiting hours were on Wednesday at the Aram

Bedrosian Funeral Home, 558 Mount Auburn Street in Watertown where relatives and friends were kindly invited to attend.

Diruhi is recognized for her endless devotion to and her profound influence on the lives of countless individuals. She was a devoted member of Grace Chapel, Lexington, MA.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Diruhi Mattian Fund, c/o Bank North, 61 Main Street, Andover, MA 01810 Attn: Tim McDonough.

Interment will take place at Highland Meadows Cemetery, 700 concord Avenue, Belmont, MA



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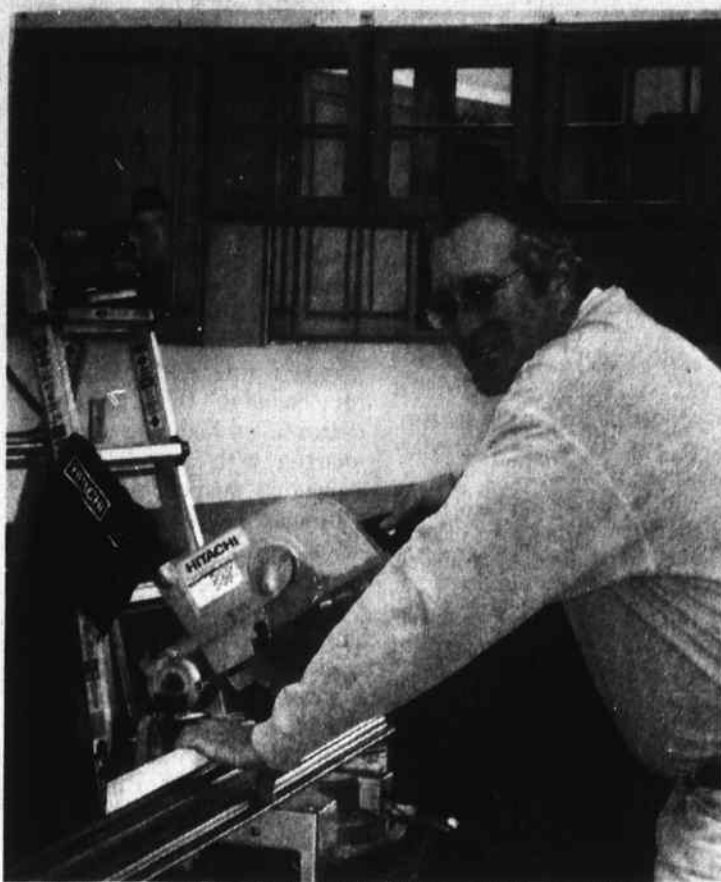


## Hancox Kitchens opens on Main St., Wilmington

There is a new business in town, at 335 Main Street Wilmington, Hancox Kitchens & Construction. Hancox Kitchens & Construction offers kitchen design and installation as well as your addition and remodeling needs. Hancox Kitchens & Construction owner, Fred Hancox brings with him 30 years of experience in the retail, design, customer service & construction background. The past 7 years experience was spent with a local addition & remodeling company which involved marketing, working with and scheduling subcontractors, coordinating with home owners, customer service and, last but not least, "quality control". Prior to that Mr. Hancox worked for Walpole Woodworkers for 23 years doing

much the same. Fred takes pride in offering his customers the best product, service and value knowing that a happy customer is the best advertisement, a proven concept, learned years ago.

Fred's initial concept was that of a kitchen store only, but market research determined that there was a need for a full scope company able to handle the demands associated with the addition and remodeling business. Fred envisions the kitchen store will develop into a "design center", where homeowners will be able to see various products associated with home remodeling such as windows, doors, interior finish work, tile, siding, roofing & decks



Fred Hancox is hard at work in his new kitchen center.

## Tewksbury Pre-school

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## OBITUARIES

### Wilbur H. Spanks

Beloved custodian at Wilmington schools and Congregational Church

WILMINGTON - Mr. Wilbur H. Spanks, age 93, of Wilmington formerly of Malden, died Saturday, February 9th, 2008, at the Winchester Hospital following a short illness. He was the beloved husband of the late Mae V. (LeBlanc) Spanks. Born in Malden he was the son of the late Cookson and Ellen (Pelrine) Spanks.

Mr. Spanks was a Wilmington resident for over sixty-five years. He worked for many years as custodian for the Town of Wilmington School Dept. and also worked as a custodian for the Congregational Church of Wilmington for fifty years. He enjoyed riding his bike to and from work, no matter what time of year or the weather condition. He was a handyman and enjoyed tinkering with things and also enjoyed tending to his garden.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the American Heart Assoc. 20 Speen St. Framingham, MA 01701.

In addition to his beloved wife and parents, Mr. Spanks is predeceased by his son, the late Walter Spanks. He is survived by his daughter, Janice Gaglione and her husband



Vincent of Peabody. He is also survived by five loving grandchildren and three loving great grandchildren and many dear friends.

His funeral will be held from the Dello Russo - Cavanaugh Funeral Home, 374 Main St., Wilmington, Wednesday, February 13th, at 9 a.m. followed by a funeral mass celebrated in St. Dorothy's Church, Main St., Wilmington, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. Visiting hours Tuesday, February 12th, from 4 thru 8. Services will conclude with burial at Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, Peabody.

### Laura E. Wright

Member Center Methodist Church and the H.O.N.S. Group of Aleppo Shriners

WILMINGTON - Mrs. Laura E. (Grady) Wright, age 89, of Wilmington, formerly of Malden, died Thursday, February 7, 2008, at the Aberjona Nursing Center in Winchester. Laura was born June 10, 1918, in Hampden, Maine, she was the daughter of the late Frederick and Hazel (Johns) Grady. Laura grew up in Medford, MA, where she received her education and graduated from Medford High School. Laura married Henry F. Wright and they moved to Malden, MA, in 1939, where they resided for many years and raised their family. Laura resided in Wilmington, MA, for a few years prior to her death.

She was a member of the Center Methodist Church in Malden for over 60 years and the H.O.N.S. Group which is part of the Shriners Organization in Wilmington. Laura was very involved in charity work, she did lots of volunteering for her church groups and for the Shriners Hospital. She also did lots of crocheting for fund raising, for patients at the hospital and for her family.

Laura was very devoted to her family, according to her family she was a wonderful baker and enjoyed making their favorite goodies, and she also loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They will miss her dearly. Laura was the beloved wife of



the late Henry F. Wright, devoted mother of Carolyn Richburg of Wilmington, Priscilla Ricard & her husband Bruce of Tyngsboro, and H. Frank Wright & his wife Ann of Bradenton, FL, loving grandmother of 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Her Funeral Service was held on Monday, February 11th at the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington, at 11:00 a.m. and was celebrated by Rev. Travis Bonnette-Kim.

Interment took place in Forest Dale Cemetery in Malden. Memorial donation's in Laura's name may be made to the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington, MA 01887 or to the Shriners Burns Institute, 51 Blossom St., Boston, MA 02114.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., Wilmington.

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## Tewksbury Police Log

**Monday, February 4**  
8:01 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 4 Easement Road.

1:58 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 10 Main Street. 5:27 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1727 Main Street. Sarah Bancroft, 24, of 19 Swift Lane in Merrimack, NH, was arrested at 95 Main Street on the basis of a warrant and a charge of being a fugitive from justice on a court warrant.

David A. Baro, 22, of 34 Victor Drive in Tewksbury, was arrested at 1120 Main Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, failing to stay within marked lanes of travel, and negligently operating a motor vehicle.

Michael McNeill, 25, of 31 Riviera Road in Hudson, NH, was arrested at 95 Main Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license.

Christopher Charles Reed, 29, of 50 Spring Avenue in Lowell, was arrested at 1915 Andover Street on the basis of three warrants.

**Wednesday, February 6**  
3:15 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1721 Main Street. 5:19 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1900 Main Street.

Meghan Greer, 21, of 6 Charlotte Road in Tewksbury, was arrested on Charlotte Road on the basis of a warrant.

**Thursday, February 7**  
8:41 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the

vicinity of 121 Pond Street.

11:58 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 19 Upton Street.

5:29 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Powerline Road.

**Friday, February 8**

7:13 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 106 Lowe Street.

12:21 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Lakeview Avenue.

7:15 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Bridge Street and South Street.

7:44 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Maureen Drive.

**Saturday, February 9**

3:35 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of South Street and Bridge Street.

4:19 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 215 River Road.

3:47 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Main Street.

7:28 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Warren Road and Lake Street.

9:52 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Shawsheen Street and Lowe Street.

Walter T. Cullinan, 52, of 17 Knollwood Road in Tewksbury, was arrested on County Road and was charged with aggravated assault, resisting arrest, and assault and battery on a police officer.

**Sunday, February 10**

1:03 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1475 Main Street. George Drew, 22, of 666 North Broadway Street in Haverhill, was arrested at the scene and was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and leaving the scene of an accident involving property damage.

7:19 a.m. A motor vehicle parked at a residence on Vale Street was burglarized.

5:39 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Brookfield Road.



## Wilmington Police Log

**Monday, February 4**

12:35 p.m.

A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Lowell St. and West St. 4:03 p.m. A car parked at a residence on Quail Run was vandalized.

Michael Fucci, 33, of 65 Marshall St. in Watertown, was arrested on Lowell St. following an incident that allegedly occurred on Main St. He was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

**Tuesday, February 5**  
Marcia L. Guiffre, 39, of 54 Pond Lane Ext., Billerica, was stopped by police on Woburn St. and was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license and failing to have an inspection sticker.

Kimberlie R. Kelley, 18, of 12 Glendale Cir. in Wilmington, was stopped on Glendale Cir. and was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a revoked registration.

Lorrie A. Kelley, 37, of 12 Glendale Circle in Wilmington, was arrested on Glendale Circle on the basis of three warrants.

**Wednesday, February 6**  
6:24 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Main St.

1:10 p.m. Police responded to the Middle School on Carter Lane for a report of a possible assault or assault and battery.

8:04 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Shady Lane Drive.

Police provided six courtesy safety car seat installations throughout the day.

**Thursday, February 7**

5:08 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident involving a D.P.W. truck occurred on Andover St. The truck struck a pole, which ended up resting on the vehicle with a primary wire hanging free.

12:46 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Main St.

7:41 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a home on Avalon Dr. Daniel Paul Gooch, 21, of 163 West St. in Medford, was arrested on Main St. on the

basis of a warrant.

**Friday, February 8**

12:04 a.m. Police responded to Main St. for a report of a domestic disturbance.

9:44 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Burlington Avenue.

11:07 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Main St.

1:34 p.m. Police responded to Biondo and Foley Dental Group on Main St. for a report of larceny/forgery/fraud involving an employee who allegedly wrote false prescriptions for herself.

**Saturday, February 9**

11:43 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Lowell St.

11:51 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on

Main St.

Valerie K. Whitcomb, 43, of Glen Road in Reading, was arrested on West St. and was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Jeslyn A. Gauthier, 24, of 130 Sandy Lane in Wilmington, was arrested on Sandy Lane on the basis of two warrants.

**Sunday, February 10**

12:40 p.m. A hit and run motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Main St.

Beau Morrison, 19, of 24 Seal Cove Road, town unknown, MA, was arrested on Interstate 93 on the basis of a warrant.

Joseph A. Picano, 26, of 142 Salem St. in Wilmington, was arrested on Salem St. and was charged with assault and battery and assault.



Erica Pantanella and her dad, Michael had fun dancing together at the Father/Daughter Valentine's Dance held at the Tewksbury Country Club on Sunday.  
(photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com)



Nicole Elia danced to Daddy's Little Girl with her father Mike at the Tewksbury Recreation Department's annual Father/Daughter Valentine Dance held at the Tewksbury Country Club on Sunday.  
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The TOPS Sports program, which meets in the North Intermediate School cafeteria in Wilmington, is a great way for children with disabilities to participate in sports.

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## TOPS Sports is all about fun

What has about forty legs, a spirited sound, and a smile one hundred yards long? It's TOP Sports in Wilmington. TOP stands for The Outreach Program which started with soccer many years ago. TOP serves young people with differing abilities so that they can learn about and participate in sports and athletic training. Young people in Wilmington are given information about the program through fliers sent to special education programs. From there, word of mouth spreads the information to young people living in surrounding communities like North Reading, Reading and Winchester. The original organizer, Ed Celli, relies predominantly on the young people involved in Wilmington Youth Soccer and teens involved in Wilmington recreational sports to be one-to-one coaches for all the athletes. A typical TOP Sports "game" starts with coaches arriving half an hour before players and setting up numerous soccer goals, basketball nets, boundary lines or whatever other equipment is needed for the day. When the players arrive they are greeted, usually by Ed and all the coaches, and then they are assigned a coach for the day. Players learn simple exercises and warm-ups, basic skills like dribbling, shooting, passing and catching, and they learn sportsmanship like taking turns in games, winning and losing gracefully, and cheering on other players. It's difficult to tell who has more fun or who learns more, the players or the coaches.

TOP Sports has created important opportunities for players and coaches alike, such as going to Gillette Stadium and shaking hands with the starting line-up of the Revolution as well as making social connections with parents and professionals in and around Wilmington. Wilmington Youth Soccer and the Wilmington Recreation Department have also generously supported the program so all TOP Sport participants feel connected to the athletic community in town. TOP Sports is such a stand-out activity that the program was honored at the

Commissioner's Cup Youth Soccer Tournament three years ago and several other programs have been created around the state by people previously involved in Wilmington's program and they've used it as a model for their own TOP Sports.

Currently, TOP Sports is meeting with players at 10:00 a.m. (coaches at 9:30) on Saturdays in the North Intermediate School cafeteria. We welcome players with all types of differing abilities from age four through twenty and who have medical clearance to

participate in physical activities. Anyone in fifth grade or older who would like to be a coach can come down to the North Intermediate School on Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. and get some basic instruction on working with a great group of young people. While the current program is ending February 9, 2008, TOP Soccer will begin in the spring at the Shawsheen field at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact Ed Celli or Niki Wilson at (auntini2007@verizon.net).

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Rep. Miceli meets with local veterans agents - Representative James R. Miceli honored local Veteran's Agents at the State House during the annual Veteran's and Legislators event. From l-r: Louis Cimaglia (Wilmington), Senator Bruce Tarr, Representative James Miceli, and James Williams (Tewksbury).

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Old Sturbridge Village Discovery Camper Patrick McCaffrey (center) of West Brookfield, Mass. taps a maple tree during last year's maple sugaring season as fellow campers await their turns. Teaching the group about maple sugaring is OSV Coordinator of Agriculture Adam Halterman, also of West Brookfield. This year, Maple Days sugar-making demonstrations are held Saturdays and Sundays at the village from March 8-23. For times and details: [www.osv.org](http://www.osv.org).

## Old Sturbridge Village celebrates maple days

STURBRIDGE - Historians at Old Sturbridge Village will demonstrate early New England maple sugaring at the village's own working "Sugar Camp" from 10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. each Sat. and Sun. from March 8-23. Visitors can experience the entire sugar-making process, from tapping the trees to "sugaring off."

In addition, OSV's Oliver Wight Tavern will offer a free Maple Days pancake breakfast with the price of admission from 8:00 - 10:30 a.m. Saturday March 8, 15 and 22. Normal price of the breakfast is \$10 for adults, \$6 for children under 10. OSV members will receive a 10% discount to the breakfast. Reservations are recommended; call 800-733-1830.

Maple sugaring at Old Sturbridge Village

New England farm families in the 1830s usually tapped around 100 trees and made 400 pounds of sugar each season. "Everybody helped with the sugar making - women, children, friends, neighbors - and the favorite children's taste treat of 'maple snow' was actually the result of testing the syrup's consistency before granulating it for storage," said OSV Coordinator of Agriculture Adam Halterman, of West Brookfield, Mass.

Home-made maple sugar was a cheaper alternative to expen-

sive cane sugar, which was imported from the West Indies. Boiling the maple sap required a high heat and lots of wood, but in the 1830s, after years of clearing forests for farm fields, wood was scarce and the cost was high.

Because of this, early New Englanders used waste wood to stoke sugar camp fires.

"Broken boards, old fence posts, chunks of pine, shingles, you name it - all kinds of scrap wood were burned for sugar making," Halterman said, adding that cheaper wooden troughs were also used to collect the sap, rather than more expensive buckets. At OSV, the sap is boiled in large iron kettles suspended over an open fire.

Both sugar maples and red maples are tapped to make sugar. "Although sugar maple sap has more sugar, about 2-3 percent, red maples grow more abundantly in our area, so we tap both kinds of maple trees," Halterman said.

Helping Halterman run the Old Sturbridge Village sugar camp are historic interpreters Rhys Simmons of Leicester, and Kevin Fountain of Warren. "Most people equate the smell of spring with flowers, but for us it's the smell of wood smoke and maple syrup. That's the surest sign that spring is coming."

## Nursing Home Advocates training

Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, in partnership with North Shore Elder Services, is hosting a free 3-day Nursing Home Advocates Training March 18, 19 and 20 in the Elder Services offices at 360 Merrimack Street (Bldg 5) in Lawrence. Sessions will last from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. each day. Lunch and light refreshments will be provided.

At the conclusion of the training, participants will be certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as Nursing Home Ombudsmen for Elder Services of Merrimack Valley.

Nursing Home Ombudsmen help protect the rights of nursing home residents, visiting nursing homes regularly to resolve issues on behalf of residents. The one-year commitment includes three days of training, monthly supervision, and dedicated hours each month for nursing home visits.

Due to the popularity of this training, they anticipate this seminar will be over enrolled. With limited space, reservations are strongly recommended. Please contact Gerry Proulx of Elder Services at 978.946.1445 for reservations.

## Preventing MRSA infections

School administrators and coaches throughout the country are increasingly calling upon knowledgeable facility service providers to help them battle an invisible and formidable opponent known as Community-acquired Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (more generally referred to as MRSA)—a bacteria that can cause life-threatening skin and blood infections in students and student-athletes who may sustain cuts and bruises.

"Over the past year, MRSA inquiries from school systems have increased by about 200 percent as awareness concerning the bacteria's dangerous nature has spread," says Adam Siegel, a Hygiene Program Manager at UniFirst, a Wilmington, MA-based company that provides facility services products to businesses throughout North America. "Many of the calls simply ask for information about combating 'that super bug' because of its resistance to being destroyed by many of today's common antibiotics."

The skyrocketing concern about MRSA is understandable given medical studies that show a greater number of people are now seeking treatment for such infections. For example, Dr. Daniel Pallin, director of clinical research at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, found that between 1993 and 2005, visits to emergency departments due to MRSA rose from 1.2 million to 3.4 million. Although Dr. Pallin says such numbers suggest an epidemic, he quickly characterizes the bacterial infections as a "minor disease"—one that should cause concern, but not fear. Dr. Pallin's study is scheduled to be published in an upcoming issue of Annals of Emergency Medicine.

UniFirst's Siegel says he informs all inquirers that the best defense against MRSA is the adoption of good personal hygiene practices, a preventive measure that's been underscored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Although any type of "community" group can be susceptible to MRSA, Siegel notes that athletes are among the most vulnerable because the bacteria are largely spread through skin-to-skin contact—which is prevalent on playing fields and even during post-game congratulatory hugs and handshakes.

In addition to showering after every workout, Siegel says athletes should have their uniforms washed and dried after each use—using the hottest water and drying temperatures possible. "And athletes should not share towels, bars of soap, razors, or other personal care items that can potentially harbor MRSA and enter the body through a break in the skin." As a precautionary measure, he adds, any cuts or scrapes should be kept clean and covered until healed.

According to the CDC, more than 900,000 people in the U.S. are "colonized" with MRSA

(bacteria is present but not causing an infection)—a number that averages out to about 18,000 individuals per state. If CDC infection percentages were applied to Canada, each of that nation's 10 provinces would have nearly 10,000 people carrying the MRSA bacteria in latent form. The MRSA bacteria, when active, can cause skin infections that may look like pimples or boils that can be red, swollen, painful, or have pus or other drainage which can lead to pneumonia or more serious bloodstream infections. Anyone who thinks they may have an infection should see their healthcare provider immediately. Most infections are treatable with various antibiotics, just not all antibiotics.

Hand hygiene is of particular importance, Siegel says. "Everyone should wash their hands regularly with liquid or foam soaps for at least 15 seconds before drying them with a clean cloth or paper towel. If soap and water are unavailable, then an alcohol-based sanitizer containing 61 percent or more alcohol, like Purell®, is recommended as they can kill 99.99% of most common germs that may cause illness. In fact, an increasing number of school systems are mandating such alcohol-based sanitizing dispensers in their hallways, cafeterias, and even individual classrooms."

Beyond personal health and safety, the UniFirst hygiene program manager says that other preventive measures for school athletes in particular should include a thorough cleaning of all athletic equipment and lockers after every use and the mopping/wiping/disinfecting of common areas, such as show-

er stalls, sinks, toilets, and whirlpools. He adds the same type of cleaning procedures should be applied to any other objects touched by multiple athletes, such as drinking fountains, vending machines, benches, and chairs. "By following appropriate hygiene and facility service cleanliness measures," UniFirst's Siegel says, "MRSA can be turned into a loser in every

playing venue in the country." UniFirst, a leading supplier of work clothing and uniforms, provides Facility Service cleanliness products to organizations of all sizes and types. UniFirst currently serves nearly 200,000 customers throughout the U.S. and Canada. For more information, contact UniFirst at (800) 225-3364 or visit [www.unifirst.com](http://www.unifirst.com).

## Tewksbury Public Schools New student registration

Kindergarten registrations for 2008 - 2009 will be held at all four Tewksbury elementary schools, (Dewing, Heath Brook, North Street and Trahan) on the following dates:

Monday, March 3  
Tuesday, March 4  
Wednesday, March 5  
Thursday, March 6  
Friday, March 7

Snow make-up days  
Monday, March 10  
Tuesday, March 11

In addition, all four schools will be open for kindergarten registration on Thursday evening, March 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Louise Davy Trahan (978) 640-7870, Heath Brook School (978) 640-7865. Registration Hours 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon & 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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2. Child must be 5 years old as of August 31, 2008.

3. Certified Birth Certificates (not Hospital Birth certificates) must be presented at registration.

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RMLD teams with Whole Foods' donation to Good Neighbor Energy Fund Cambridge, MA - Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) Community Relations Manager Priscilla Gottwald (seated, right) and Community Relations Assistant Bobbi Maillett (standing) join Whole Foods' Marketing Team Leader Lynay Smith at the Cambridge store on Alewife Brook Parkway on January 29 to promote Whole Foods' program to donate 5% of its total sales on January 29 to the Salvation Army's Good Neighbor Energy Fund (GNEF). Over \$25,000 was raised in one day. GNEF assists families in temporary financial crisis, who are having trouble paying their energy bills. Priscilla and Bobbi greeted Cambridge customers to thank them for shopping at Whole Foods and making this generous donation possible.

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## February is kids gear month at Extra Innings

**TEWKSBURY** - Extra Innings, the leader of baseball and softball facilities, announces that February is "Kids Gear Month" for all New England facilities. For the entire month of February, anyone who brings used baseball and softball equipment to any New England facility, will receive 10% off the purchase of any new equipment. All of the used baseball and softball equipment collected will be distributed to the less fortunate ball players in the Greater Boston area. Kids Gear is a national organization, and Extra Innings will be working to help the Boston initiative. Kids Gear for Baseball - Boston is a grassroots effort to help ensure that all kids in Greater Boston and surrounding communities have the equipment they need to partici-

pate in the game of baseball and softball. The simple concept is to gather good quality, slightly used baseball and softball equipment and redistribute the equipment to kids who might not otherwise be able to afford it. This program was designed to help less fortunate children enjoy the game of baseball and softball. Kids Gear is sponsored by Major League Baseball (The Baseball Tomorrow Fund) and holds collections at Fenway Park each June. Each year Kid's Gear distributes thousands of dollars of equipment to organizations throughout the greater Boston area. Any organization in need of donated equipment can contact Kaitlyn Chisholm at 781-334-3464.

For more information about dropping off equipment at

Extra Innings - Tewksbury, please visit [www.extrainnings-tewksbury.com](http://www.extrainnings-tewksbury.com) or call 978-851-1220. For more information on Kids Gear, visit [www.kidsgearbaseball.com](http://www.kidsgearbaseball.com).

### About Extra Innings Franchise Company:

Founded in 1996 and based in Middleton, MA, Extra Innings provides practice facilities, professional instruction and a nationally recognized Pro Shop to baseball and softball players of all ages and ability levels. Extra Innings Franchise Company is committed to providing these same opportunities and services to ballplayers across the country with its franchise initiative.

For more information, visit [www.extrainnings.us](http://www.extrainnings.us).



Kim Peterson sold baked goods to Michael Gingras and other voters at the Town Hall on Super Tuesday last week. The money raised from the bake sale will benefit the Wilmington Educational Fund.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux - [www.shootingstarspix.com](http://www.shootingstarspix.com))

## Mass Maritime Academy names local student to President's List

**BUZZARDS BAY, Mass.** Maritime Academy has recently named local student, Cadet Eric Steeves of Wilmington, to the President's List during the fall 2007 semester.

The President's List is the highest academic achievement that a cadet can earn at the Academy. To be named to the list, a cadet must maintain a grade-point average of over 3.5 during the semester.

## North Street School Honor Roll

### Principal's List Class of 2016

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Ryan Casino  
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Ashley McCreedy  
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Joshua Rizzo  
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Taylor Salvaggio  
Barbara Santora  
Madysen Sordillo  
John Theriault  
Stephen Tyner  
Sean Tyrie  
Katelyn Vocell  
Juliana Wahl

## Malden Catholic honor roll

**MALDEN** - Malden Catholic High School, one of New England's leading college preparatory high schools for young men, has announced that the following Wilmington and Tewksbury students received honors for distinguished academic performance during the second quarter of the 2007-08 school year:

Honors, all grades 80 percent and above - Cori Michals, Eric Patterson.

### About Malden Catholic

Recently named one of America's Top 50 Catholic Secondary Schools by the Catholic High School Honor Roll, Malden Catholic High School maintains a 75-year tradition of leading students to achieve academic excellence in a Catholic, familial atmosphere. Recognized for its dedicated faculty, progressive curriculum, spiritual guidance, social outreach, and championship caliber athletic programs, Malden Catholic educates young men from more than 40 communities surrounding Boston. Further information on the school may be found at [www.maldencatholic.org](http://www.maldencatholic.org)

### From Wilmington:

Headmaster's List, all grades 90 percent and above - Matthew Candarelli, Mark Flanagan. Second Honors, all grades 80 percent and above - Stephen Allen, Joseph Favuzza, Jason Yemelakis.

### From Tewksbury:

Headmaster's List, all grades 90 percent and above - Corey Ryan, Samir Shah. Second

## Tewksbury Rotary Club names Bridget Long a 2008 Hats Off Award winner

Bridget Long, daughter of Ann and David Long of Lancaster Drive has been named a recipient of the Tewksbury Rotary Club Hats Off award for January 2008.

Bridget maintained honor roll every term throughout high school. Recipient of Renaissance Gold/Silver and Red/Blue card awards throughout high school, Rank 30 in the Class of 2008.

She is President of International Club. Her athletic activities include: member of winter track team for four years, member of Spring Track Team for four

### Stonehill College names local students to Dean's List

**EASTON, MA** - Stonehill College recently names Shannon Fahey and Kaitianne Jackson both of Wilmington to the Dean's List for the Fall 2007 semester.

### Johnson & Wales announces Janelle Hodge to the Dean's List

**PROVIDENCE, RI** - Janelle Hodge of Wilmington a student studying culinary arts was named to the Dean's List at Johnson & Wales University for the fall 2007 term. To receive Dean's List commendations, students must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or above.

### Missouri University of Science and Technology honor list

**ROLLA, MO.** - Missouri University of Science and Technology, formerly the University of Missouri-Rolla, announces the names of the Wilmington students who made the honor list for the 2007 fall semester.

Christopher Kittredge  
Ryan Trulli  
Dennis Trulli, Jr.

## Framingham State College announces President's List and Dean's List

**Dean's List**  
Tewksbury  
Michael Williams  
Evan Sheehy  
Wilmington  
Jennifer Bresnahan  
Jillian Gover

**Christina Tocci**  
Presidents List  
Tewksbury  
Michael Williams  
Erin Sheehy  
Wilmington  
Christina Tocci

## Endicott announces dean's list students

**BEVERLY** - Endicott College is pleased to announce the Dean's List students for fall, 2007. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no grade below a "C", and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

The following students have met those requirements:  
Lindsey Josephine Brown is the daughter of Thomas & Mary Brown of Wilmington. Lindsey is a Junior majoring in Nursing.

Christa M. Covino is the daughter of John & Gail Covino of Wilmington. Christa is a Senior majoring in Liberal Studies.

Lisa Anne Crowley is the daughter of James & Suzanne Crowley of Tewksbury. Lisa is a Sophomore majoring in Visual Communications.

Melissa Ann Marques is the daughter of James & Nancy Marques of Wilmington. Melissa is a senior majoring in Physical Education -Teacher Licensure.

## Assumption College Dean's List students

**WORCESTER** - The following students have been named to Dean's List at Assumption College for the Fall 2007 semester. Students in the undergraduate school are required to have a GPA of 3.5 or higher to be named to the list. Assumption College, a liberal arts and professional studies college rooted in the Catholic intellectual tradition, was founded in 1904. Assumption strives to form graduates

known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship and compassionate service.

Caitlin N. DeFerrari '11 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen DeFerrari, Harold Place, Tewksbury.

Peter J. Ricci '08 son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Ricci, Worthen Place, Tewksbury.

Ashley C. Sullivan '08 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan, N. Washington Avenue, Wilmington.

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# Making "cents" of your wedding reception investment

Tewksbury/Andover - There are two major priorities for choosing and working with wedding reception sites; setting and staying within a budget, and receiving value for your financial commitment.

With the average wedding reception competing with a home down payment in a couple's bank account and financial reserves - this big party becomes a major purchase that requires substantial consideration. When making any major purchase, most couples set a budget that meets their financial goals and then search for the best value for their money.

Wedding receptions should be no different.

Spend the time to review each aspect of the marriage event and set a budget that will fit into your overall financial plan. Many young couples are in the process of trying to build a nest egg for other early major purchases - the wedding reception and honeymoon should not break the overall bank account. If you do your homework and ask specific questions, you can plan a lovely reception and also stay within your financial goal.

Be flexible about the date and time! Saturday evenings are in high demand. Most reception sites have the highest revenue commitments for Saturday evening. Choosing a Friday evening, Saturday mid-day, or Sunday afternoon date can give you more flexibility in the amount of money you have to commit to spend. Even the time of year and the advance booking time can lead to your advantage. Wedding receptions that occur on off peak weekends can be advantageous to even the most popular facilities... call and ask what dates and time slots they're trying to fill.

Beware of All-inclusive Packages! When shopping for value vs. convenience, do your homework on those wedding packages. Most packages require a minimum attendance - and they are priced to be the best value at that number of people! The price of many items in the package don't change as you add additional people - for example the price allotted for the DJ, limousine, and photographer doesn't change: It's the same for 100

guests as it is for 200 guests.

What you gain in convenience, you lack in value and choice - especially if your plan includes a guest list with a substantial number of guests over the minimum for the package. Paying around \$50 per person for all the extra services above and beyond what the actual reception sites offers for a meal, may be substantially more than contracting for those services on your own.

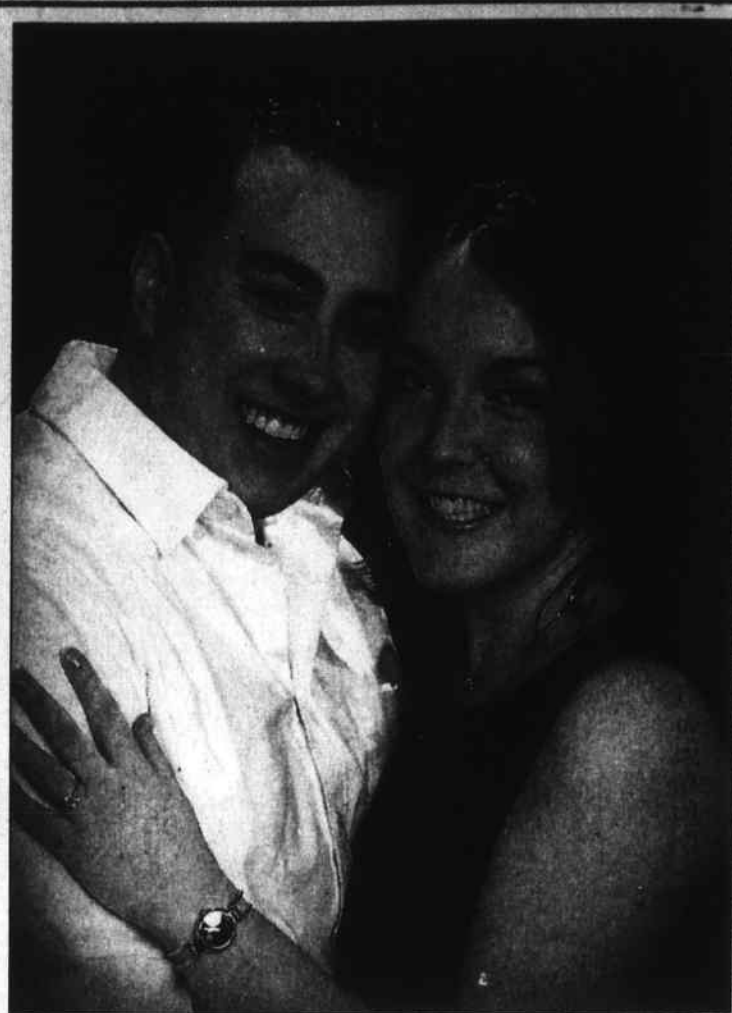
Watch out for additional charges! Ask upfront questions to avoid last minute surprise charges. Many reception sites may have the following charges - linen charges for colored choices, additional charges for tables with less than 10 people per table, coordinator fee or gratuity included for the coordinator, cake cutting fees, and fees for bar set-ups and function room charges above and beyond the price of the meal.

We at the Holiday Inn "Tewksbury/Andover are aware of how important it is to stay within a couple's budget without compromising any of the beauty and elegance of the day. Melanie DeVeau, our Social

Catering Sales Manager, has been with the Holiday Inn for over eight years. She is always excited to meet with a bride and groom to discuss the many ways in which she can assist with their wedding plans.

Melanie enthusiastically exclaims, "Our Holiday Inn is an absolutely wonderful place to hold your wedding! Our food is excellent and our service is exceptional. We focus on what is important to you while staying within your financial guideline. In addition, because we only have one Grand Ballroom, we can dedicate ourselves to only one wedding at a time: This means our bride and groom is the center of attention for the entire reception - just as it should be on this most special day!

We are delighted to say that Melanie's experience and attention to detail will ensure that she will not only meet your specific goals but exceed your expectations.



## Amy Horan to wed Nick Heller

William and Lisa Horan of Wilmington are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy to Nick Heller.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Wilmington High School class of 1999 and of Quinnipiac University in 2003. She is currently employed as a pediatric

occupational therapist.

Her fiancé, Nick, is the son of Robert and Linda Heller of Framingham, Ma. He is a 1999 graduate of Framingham High School and a 2001 graduate of Mass Bay Community College. Nick is a program coordinator at Swervepoint.

A fall wedding is planned.

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## Love with Strings Attached at Universalist Church

Wakefield - Sunday, February 17th "Love with Strings Attached" starring Leigh Barrett will be performed at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Wakefield.

Leigh Barrett is widely considered the First Lady of Boston's Musical Stage. You may remember Ms. Barrett in her recent stunning performance as Mama Rose in Gypsy at Stoneham Theatre. She will now graciously contribute her considerable talents to a concert of love and romance on Sunday, February 17 that benefits the Unitarian Universalist Church of Wakefield. Opening for Leigh Barrett is a quartet of local string players, each with an intriguing connection to the soprano's past.

Leigh Barrett promises "an eclectic mix of genres from musical theatre, movies, pop and standards." It will include songs, such as "The Trouble with Romance" and "The Girl in 14G", selections from Jason Robert Brown's "Songs for a New World", a Sondheim set, and semi-classical pieces, such as "Time to Say Goodbye", made famous by Andrea Bocelli.

This concert also showcases some of the professional instrumental talent in the Wakefield community.

Cellist John Bumstead, native of Wakefield and childhood friend of the mezzo-soprano, has invited three colleagues: violinists Lisa Kempstie and Peter Stickel, and violist Mary Weeks. Together they have performed as the Rosewood String Quartet. Lisa is a violin and viola performer and teacher as well as a bowmaker. Mary Weeks has been the Orchestra Director in the Melrose Public Schools since 1976. Peter and John are the co-founders of the nationally known New England String Ensemble.

Come and join in for a night you will remember for a long time.

Tickets are \$35 per person, which includes a champagne reception. The event takes place on Sunday, February 17 at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Wakefield, 326 Main Street, Wakefield. Phone number is 781 245 4632. Information on the church website is located at <http://www.wakefielduu.org/>

Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance at either Smith Drug, 390 Main Street courtesy of Mary Esther Fournier or at Beth Hylan's Sweet Bay, 339 Salem Street, Wakefield.



## Hon. Eleanor J. Collins, J.P. is also a member of Boston Wedding Group

Hon. Eleanor J. Collins, J.P. The Honorable Eleanor J. Collins, Justice of the Peace, is a member of the Massachusetts Justice of Peace Association, National Notary Association, and a Member of the Boston Wedding Group. She is very active with these groups in order to stay current with the latest changes and updates that occur in the industry.

Being a member of the prestigious Boston Wedding Group keeps her in constant contact with the vendors in every field of the wedding industry, as well as the high end brides. Many magazines throughout the country feature people that are in the Boston Wedding Group. At the educational sessions offered, speakers are brought in who are in the industry.

Added features include trips to the sites of the various Wedding Group vendors, so you are familiar with their products, such as cake designers, floral designers, Shoes to Dye For, and bridal apparel. It is a wonderful way of keeping a network of the latest wedding ideas fresh and alive. This is also an opportunity for a bride

to be able to come for a consultation and be directed to every one of her needs knowing that she will be served in every capacity.

Many brides have no idea of the work involved in making the most important day of her life run without a hitch, and Ellie is an expert in this field. Mrs. Collins has been in the wedding industry for over 20 years. She has been involved in function and event planning as well as the managing end. She has also had a catering service and a floral design shop with her daughter. She also continues in the beauty industry end. Her daughter is a make up artist, and can be there the day of your wedding.

When you ask her what her favorite part of the business is, her reply is, "I love meeting the couple, getting to know them. It is so important to me to prepare a service that is just for them. It is such a joy for me to marry them and be a permanent part of their beginning their new life, as husband and wife. Each wedding is so different. I have married people in hotels, churches, backyards,

bridges, boats, woods, and even ponds. You name it, and I've probably been there. It is such fun to see how much people respond to a wedding that has been designed for the couple, and share in their love story."

When you call Ellie, she may ask, "Am I coordinating your wedding, or am I marrying you?" Even if it is just for the wedding service, each bride is always given added services for the event. This is because Justice Collins wants to make sure all the details are in place for your special day. Even if you are married in her home, she provides some extra things that help your day become special. It might be a corsage, toast, or maybe a candle.

One bride wrote, "Thank you for just being there to help calm my nerves. I saw your smile and knew everything would be perfect. And it was! The ceremony was beautiful! People are still calling me to say how great and beautiful my service was." Ellie says, "Notes like this make my job the best in the world."



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## Michael Reichert named to Tewksbury Rotary Club's list of Hats off Award winners

Michael Reichert, son of Linda and Carl Reichert of 30 Westland Drive Tewksbury, was named a Hats Off Award winner for January 2008.

Michael is a recipient of twelve Renaissance Gold/Silver award awards throughout high school. Named to honor roll thirteen times throughout high school. Recognized on the Principal's List 2007. Rank in the top 15% in the Class of 2008. Grade Point Average: 3.96. Scored 670 on Mathematics portion of SAT (1770 total). Enrolled in AP Biology class.

He has been a member of the soccer team for four years (2 years on varsity). Member of Winter Track and Field Team for four years (2 years on varsity). Spring Track and Field

Team for four years (2 years on varsity).

Michael was awarded a Third Place ribbon for art work at the 2007 Tewksbury Public Schools Art Show.

Michael has been a volunteer for TOPS Soccer Program in 2006. Volunteer for Boys Soccer Team Jimmy Fund car wash for four years in a row. Participated in Jimmy Fund Walk for three years. Participated in 9/11 Memorial Run in 2004. Volunteer for Frasca soccer field cleanup in 2006.

He is currently employed at Market Basket and Camara Custom Carpentry (summer employment from 2006-present).

He has been accepted to UNH Applied to UMass Amherst,

University of Connecticut and Boston University (waiting to hear).

Nominating Faculty Member, Ms. Kelleher states that Michael is an all around great student.

Nominating Faculty Member, Mr. Levine states that Michael is a young man who is in school for all the right reasons. He is an excellent student, a role model of integrity and good moral values. He is a four year 3 sport athlete with a determined and perseverant hard working attitude both in the classroom and in the athletic environment. He possesses a strong art background and is simply, a good human being.



A campaign fundraiser for Town Clerk Candidate Maryann O'Brien Nichols was held on Sunday at the Tewksbury K of C. Maryann's sons, Adam, Patrick and Alex are all helping run her campaign. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux - www.shootingstarspix.com)



The Wilmington Town Democratic Caucus was held recently at the Wilm Public Library. Caucusers for the party's gathering in April in Lowell were chosen.

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## Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

### AARP Tax Volunteer

#### Happy Valentines Day

A box of chocolates and a good romance novel make for a wonderful way to celebrate Valentines Day. Whether you enjoy classic romance novels like Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* or the Harlequin romance series, there is a romance novel just for you! Looking for some ideas? Check out these romance novel websites:

<http://www.theromancereader.com/> or

<http://www.likesbooks.com/>

After you pick up the flowers on your way home from work, stop by the library and check out one of the classic romance movies to add to the surprise gift. Some suggestions include *The Philadelphia Story* with Cary Grant, Jimmy Stewart, and Katharine Hepburn in a romantic triangle and *Casablanca* with Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, one that can be viewed again and again.

Need some advice on dating? Try one of these books. *Easy Does it Dating Guide: For People in Recovery* by Mary Faulkner (a book on mending the broken heart), *Jane Austen's Guide to Dating* by Lauren Henderson (advice on how to navigate the modern dating scene from the Jane Austen viewpoint), and *Stop Spoiling that Man: Turn Your Needy Guy into an Equal Loving Partner* by John Arden.

#### 40th Anniversary of the Beatles' "Yellow Submarine"

Tim Riley, author, speaker, and NPR music critic, will present a program based on his book *"Tell Me Why: A Beatles Commentary"* on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at 7 p.m. He will highlight the music events of 1968 including the premier of the "Yellow Submarine," the "White Album" and "Hey Jude/Revolution." The author's book will be available for sale. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

#### World War II Exhibit

John Webster, Veterans Service Commissioner for the City of Malden, will present an exhibit of World War II memorabilia on Monday, February 25 and Tuesday, February 26 in the meeting room on the second floor at the Wilmington Memorial Library. The exhibit

includes over a hundred historical photos, artifacts, personal letters and newspaper articles from World War II. The exhibit will be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

#### AARP Tax Volunteer

Once again the library will be hosting a volunteer from AARP to provide help with preparing tax returns. The volunteer will be available on Friday mornings beginning Friday, February 8 for the following appointment times: 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 a.m. (Later times may be available upon request) This tax preparation assistance is aimed primarily at senior citizens and low to moderate income families and individuals. Please call the library at (978)694-2099 for further details and to schedule an appointment.

#### Children's Room News

**Peter Sheridan Concert**  
Come sing along with singer, songwriter, musician and recording artist, Peter Sheridan, on Wednesday, February 27 at 10 a.m. A variety of songs, musical instruments, puppets and books chosen especially for the young child will be featured. Tickets for the event are free and may be reserved by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098 beginning Thursday, February 14 Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

**Presidents Story/Craft**  
Celebrate some of America's greatest presidents, with stories and crafts chosen for five year-olds and older, on Friday, February 22 at 11 a.m. Visit or call the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098 beginning Thursday, February 14 to register.

#### Story Time Registration Begins

Registration begins Tuesday, February 19 for preschool story times. Introduce your young child to books, flannel board stories, songs, circle games and finger plays with Children's Librarians, Susan MacDonald and Barbara Michaud. Registration for the following programs may be made by visiting the Children's Room or by calling (978) 694-2098.

#### Baby Times

A program most appropriate for the early walker with caregiver, to be held on Thursdays,

March 13, 27 and April 10 at 9:15-9:40 a.m.

#### Time for Twos

Caregivers and two year-olds attend on Thursdays, March 6, 20 and April 3 at 9:15-9:45 a.m.

Story Times for Three Year-Olds

Children who are three attend on either Thursdays (March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10) 10:30-11 a.m. or Fridays (March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11) 9:30-10 a.m.

Story Times for Four and Five Year-Olds

Four year-olds and five year-olds (not yet attending kindergarten) attend on either Tuesdays (March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8) 10:10-10:30 a.m. or Fridays (March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11) 10:30-11 a.m.

#### Teen Zone News

After-school fun & games  
When you come in after school and are looking for something to do, check out our collection of games. Grab a friend and play Uno, Life, or Monopoly (if you have the time!). Games are free to borrow to use in the Teen Zone; just pick what you want to play from the binder on the magazine shelves and ask the Teen Librarian.

#### Library's Teen Zone Online

Teens: when you're looking for web sites to talk about books, research health issues, or do schoolwork, look no further than the Teen Zone on the library's web site! At <http://www.wilmlibrary.org/teens/links.html>, you'll find links to book reviews, web comics, scholarship and college-planning sites, primary-source documents, health issues, and more. Links are organized into categories, and page descriptions make it easy to find what you're looking for.

#### Teens: Down to a Science: the Physics of Swordplay

What happens when you swing a sword? How can you use an opponent's weight and momentum against them? Find out in this interactive demo, provided by Guard Up! of Burlington, on Wednesday, February 20, from 2-3 p.m. Registration is required and limited to 20 participants; call 978-694-2098 or stop into the Teen Zone. All participants need a permission slip (available at the library) signed by a parent or guardian. Event is

**Graduation List**  
for winter of 2008  
Gregory J. Buck recently graduated with a BS in Business Administration.

## Fitchburg State College

**Dean's List Fall 2007**  
Wilmington  
Amanda Bell  
Gregory Buck  
Brittany Collins  
Jonathan Mairmaron  
Joanne Waterhouse  
**President's List**  
Kirsten Frizol  
Jessica Pereira

## Top Secret Science & Math Program about to begin

Imagine a program where you learn the most amazing things and were so busy having fun that you didn't even realize you were learning! Top Secret Science and Math is just that program. Each class consists of experiments and demonstrations that will bring Science and Math principles to life.

This program for children in grades 2 - 5 follows state guidelines for required curriculums, and is led by an experienced,

professional science teacher.

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Registration for the Spring I Session is currently open. Classes fill quickly so sign up today! Classes start on Monday, March 3rd.

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## Winchester Hospital offers new procedure to ease pain of fractured vertebra

WINCHESTER — Nearly six years ago, 79-year-old Ann Halas of Billerica underwent successful surgery for breast cancer. Last April, however, she was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, or cancer of the bone, which had spread to her hip and spine. She began treatment immediately, but suffered a spinal fracture when the disease weakened her bones.

The pain couldn't be eased with radiation, so Winchester Hospital physician Richard Toran, Jr., MD suggested a new procedure: kyphoplasty, a minimally invasive procedure which repairs vertebral compression fractures.

Halas said she was relieved to be pain-free following the 20-minute procedure on Nov. 23, 2007. "I was nervous to a point because the procedure is relatively new, but what could I do?" she said. "I felt better as soon as

I came to in the hospital. And I hate taking strong pills, and now I don't have to do that anymore. This is a great thing."

Kyphoplasty, which is performed under local anesthesia, involves using a needle to insert a deflated balloon in the middle of the compressed vertebra. The balloon is then inflated to lift the compressed bone to its previous height. The balloon is deflated and removed, allowing insertion of bone cement to repair the fractures and strengthen the vertebra.

Patients generally spend one night in the hospital. Prior to the availability of kyphoplasty, however, those with painful vertebral compression fractures had to undergo surgery requiring a one- to two-week hospitalization and pain pumps. Kyphoplasty is also commonly performed for spinal compression fractures caused by osteoporosis.

"Our experience has been remarkable in that many patients who have incapacitating pain can improve significantly after this procedure," said Dr. Toran, an interventional radiologist at Winchester Hospital.

Before her kyphoplasty procedure, Halas said her back would tire easily and she would have to spend a lot of time sitting. Now, she's able to enjoy walking around the mall once again.

"I'm so lucky; I've got the best doctors," Halas said of Dr. Toran and Winchester Hospital oncologist Barbara Bjornson, MD. "Now if I seem tired, it's just because of my age."

To learn more about kyphoplasty at Winchester Hospital, call the Interventional Radiology Department at (781) 756-7178. For more information about Winchester Hospital, visit [www.winchesterhospital.org](http://www.winchesterhospital.org).

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# Criss Cross

What's going on next door?

## No sacred cows in Tewksbury School Committee rejects concept of self-funding athletics

By CHARITY E. LEGVOLD

**TEWKSBURY** - Following the public hearing on the Financial Planning Task Force (FPTF)'s recommendations, the School Committee voted unanimously last Wednesday night to not support item number 14, the FPTF's recommendation to make athletics completely self-funding. Does that mean athletics have become the "sacred cow" that will be protected in the School Committee budget?

"There are no sacred cows in the school budget and nothing is untouchable," explained School Committee Chairman Keith Rauseo. "The School Committee was voting on the Task Force's recommendation to make athletics completely self-funding, and it rejected that recommendation. The Committee certainly has the option to revisit funding for athletics later in its budget discussions."

In discussion prior to the vote, School Committee member Michael Sitar stated, "We have to think about the repercussions in the town. There will be a mass exodus of students from Tewksbury if we endorse this action tonight."

Sitar stated that Tewksbury would "erupt" if the Committee endorsed the FPTF recommendation on self-funded athletics, and went on to describe athletics as "an education that prepares a student for life," a theme which was addressed extensively by residents and members of the athletic department during the public hearing.

An assembled crowd of approximately 50 residents and staff erupted into applause after Baseball Coach Ron Drouin described what appeared to be the consensus sentiment of the evening in regard to the future of

the athletic program. "Student athletes perform better [academically] and open more doors for themselves. Too many doors could be cut off if the funding goes. It's a crime that someone ends up in a situation where they cannot play because they cannot pay."

Athletic Director and Tewksbury Memorial High School Guidance Counselor Brian Hickey emphasized that education through athletics supports the School's mission statement. He quoted the Massachusetts Interactive Scholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) saying, "Nowhere do you find it in education like you find it in activities that teachers are teaching what they want to teach to students who are learning what they want to learn, and both are working hour after hour on their own time after school so that everything that can be taught is learned and everything that can be learned is learned."

The MIAA website also describes athletics as an extension of the classroom that, "provides teaching and learning experiences for everyone involved. These experiences and lessons relate as much to life and education as they do to the outcome on a scoreboard."

In echoing some of the other concerns expressed by residents, School Committee member Scott Consaul reminded everyone that while football and baseball could probably fund themselves, there are smaller sports that could not. "Even with the fees we have today," Consaul said, "there are kids that don't participate because they cannot afford it, and many that would not accept help even if we could identify them."

The overall cost of athletics is

approximately \$450,000. Rauseo said that about \$100,000 is raised from current athletic fees, leaving \$350,000 that would have to be raised if athletics were to become completely self-funding.

Both Rauseo and School Committee member Dennis Peterson said that they would prefer to eliminate athletics entirely rather than make it fully self-funding.

"As I said at the meeting, fees are stupid, and the wrong way to run a government," said Rauseo. "We need to get away from this attitude of 'I should only pay for what I use...' The high fees, administrative effort, unpredictability of sufficient revenues, and unreasonable fundraising requirements make self-funding untenable in my opinion."

Rauseo said they are looking into many suggestions right now, including one to determine the costs and revenues associated with each sport, to allow for the possibility of determining a fee for each sport more commensurate with the costs involved. Athletic Director Brian Hickey was asked to create a chart of fees collected and expenses by sport for the committee.

"All ideas are and will be up for discussion depending on the budget situation we face after the budget has been more clearly defined. The Committee did not surrender any of its options or authority with this vote, it simply voted to reject the Task Force's recommendation at this time," said Rauseo.

The School Committee will continue to vote on whether to endorse many of the other items on the FPTF list when they meet again after the paper goes to press on Wednesday.

## Library Card Drive

Dewing PAC teams with Library

By JAYNE W. MILLER

**TEWKSBURY** - With elementary library services cut back to biweekly visits, Dewing School parents collaborated with the town to encourage more kids to visit the Tewksbury Public Library. Paige Impink, of the Dewing Parent Advisory Council, and Jen Hinderer, Director of the Tewksbury Public Library, launched an initiative last month to get library cards into the hands of more kids, starting with second graders.

"The program was extended to second graders specifically because of their needs at that age," Impink said. "They have already mastered reading for the most part and are moving into book reports, research papers, and other types of challenging reading assignments that going to the Dewing library every other week really cannot satisfy."

The initiative represents the first time the Tewksbury Public Library has actively tried to increase membership through an outreach effort in the schools. Second graders took home applications for new or replacement library cards in their backpacks. Parents returned the applications to the school, and the requests were forwarded to the library. The PAC also posted the application on its website.

"There was no way that someone could not get their hands on a form if they wanted one," said Impink.

Library staff mailed 25 new cards and 11 replacement cards directly to the students' homes as a result of the drive, footing the cost of the postage for their thirty-six new customers. The library needed to mail the cards to ensure that they went to a Tewksbury address and to maintain the privacy of the students.

"It's a great number," declared Impink. "The rest either already had library cards or did not respond."

"I'm just thrilled that the PAC is making the effort to get the information to parents that we have this fabulous facility in Tewksbury," said Dewing Elementary Principal Cathy Ronan. "We have a wonderful group to work with this year with a lot of new people. They have the ideas and they go out and do the work too."

Genesis for the idea began over the summer when Impink noticed that many of her neighbors did not participate in the Summer Reading program in the Children's Room at the library. She learned that many younger elementary children did not have cards and that some parents thought cards were prerequisites to using the library at all. Shrinking library hours from budget cuts make it even harder for working parents to carve out library time for their families.

"We wanted to remove a barrier to library use," said Impink. "Why not do what we can to get cards into the hands of the kids and give them a sense of ownership, responsibility?"

The card drive demonstrates a

spirit of cooperation between schools and the town, a relationship requiring further cultivation going forward. Facing a \$10 million shortfall in three years, the town's Financial Plan Task Force made many recommendations to find efficiencies within town and school departments, including having the library and schools working together to provide library services. In that spirit of cooperation, Hinderer also began issuing library cards for Tewksbury teachers that live outside the community.

Ronan also sings the praises of the library, acknowledging the high quality of the facility and

recognizing that, with so many books, parents and kids have a plethora of choices without having to buy books.

"Reading is just the most important gift you can give a child. When I see a child take off with reading it makes my job worthwhile," said Ronan.

Going forward Impink says she would like to see the program expanded to the three other elementary schools in town and offered to another elementary grade. In the future, obtaining a library card could become part of the curriculum as much as a right of passage for young readers.

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## No getting rid of the \$10 million problem

Residents looking at tax hike plus cuts to services, or a bigger tax hike

By JAYNE W. MILLER

**TEWKSBURY** - Residents face a stark choice: a 22 percent property tax increase over three years or an 11 percent tax increase and drastic cuts in services over the same period.

"The override is bad," said Tewksbury Assessor and Financial Plan Task Force chair Jay Kelley, "and the alternative is bad."

Selectmen heard from a handful of residents at a public hearing Tuesday night that attracted few members of the public. With the town facing a gaping \$10 million hole by Fiscal year 2011, Selectmen offered the public an opportunity to speak on the recommendations of the Financial Plan Task Force, including proposals on high school athletics, a trash fee, and a \$5.5 million Proposition 2 1/2 override. It was a busy agenda, as Selectmen also heard the results of a months-long independent audit, voted to temporarily delay any increases in building permit fees, and heard from South Street residents on the ongoing piggery issues at Krochmal Farm.

Selectmen took the recommendations one by one, allowing residents to speak on each item in turn. A small group of residents attended the meeting with Finance Committee member Jack Dunfee and resident Charlie Anzuoni speaking most often to clarify issues. Transferring the capitalized costs for sewer construction from the ratepayers to all residents received some attention.

"I have a real concern as to how to break out commercial and residential costs and do a per \$1,000 valuation so people can see how it appears on the tax bill," said Dunfee, who confirmed with Kelley that such a move would also see a corresponding drop in sewer and water rates. Dunfee reminded Selectmen that the town was promised the costs would not come out of taxes, to back door them in might be seen as a violation of that promise. The move would spread out the cost of the construction among more residents as well as tying the cost to valuation, so those homeowners with higher valuations would pay a greater share of the costs. It would also increase the amount that homeowners could deduct on their federal taxes.

Karen Sliva spoke against the recommendation to lower the CPA surcharge from 1.5 percent to 1 percent.

"It took a long time to get this Planning Board initiative passed. We went with 1.5 percent, rather than the full 3 percent allowed, in the spirit of compromise," said Sliva, who helped lead the charge to pass the act. "It would be a mistake to pull the rug out now." Kelley responded that the

Financial Plan Task Force (FPTF) felt that lowering the CPA surcharge would actually help pass an override and keep the full amount below \$5 million.

"It's not killing this program at all," assured Kelley.

Linda Brabant, Director of the Council on Aging, spoke briefly against the recommendation that the town delay opening the Senior Center. Brabant argued that not opening will cost the town more money due to rents and fees that the town pays or will pay for seniors to meet in various facilities around town, including the Rod and Gun Club, the Elks, and various State Hospital buildings.

"Every time someone drives by there it makes them wonder why it is empty," said Dunfee. "I personally don't see how it will save money to keep it closed. If it does save money, that savings will be so incremental its going to get lost in the noise."

Other recommendations that drew concern involved a trash fee, required state programs, disbanding the Townwide Budget Subcommittee, and the override.

Anzuoni asked the town to create a table with the costs to average homeowners broken down by recommendation so that homeowners know exactly what they are voting for; a measure Kelley later confirmed will come out before any votes on the items.

"There are lots of recommendations here," summarized Kelley. "You, the Selectmen, have a major responsibility about what happens next. What you cannot change is the \$10 million problem."

**Independent Audit**  
The Finance Department issued the annual Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which includes an independent audit performed each year by the accounting firm Powers and Sullivan. Richard Sullivan and Romina Whitehouse of the firm spoke to town officials summarizing the more than 100-page report.

Sullivan began his report by calling attention to the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting issued to the town by the Government Finance Officers Association. The Certificate of Achievement is a prestigious national award that recognizes conformance with the highest standards of governmental financial reporting.

The Report, which is available on the town's website on the Finance and Accounting Office page, offers a clearly stated, comprehensive view of the town. "Someone can pick up this document and know what Tewksbury is all about," said Sullivan.

The report noted that five of the last six years the town operated at a deficit, with last year's deficit being \$838,000. The town

holds undesignated fund cash reserves of only \$589,000, which represents 1 percent of the budget or less than one week of working capital. Such a low amount puts the town's A+ bond rating in jeopardy, admitted Sullivan later when asked by Selectman Ed Dick. Most bonding agencies view cash reserves as an important benchmark of fiscal health. Sullivan pointed out that none of the measures on the table with the Financial Plan Task Force, including the proposed override, would create a rainy day fund. Instead, everything is going to maintain the budget.

The town's debt service, 6 percent, is a "decent ratio" according to Sullivan and collections are healthy at 98 percent.

"The internal controls of the town are sound," said Sullivan, adding that the costs associated with town services have been rising for years and the town no longer has the resources to cover services right now. Salaries, utilities and health care occupy the greatest portion of the budget by far.

Only 14 percent of the town's tax revenue comes from commercial/industrial sector, pointed out Selectmen Chair Jerry Selissen. "We are so reliant on residential taxes."

Selectman Ann Marie Stronach wished aloud that she had had the report when Selectmen were wrestling with the tax rate split late last year when she argued for changing the split to slightly reduce the burden to homeowners.

Tewksbury is also like other towns in that education costs typically fall into the 60-65 percent range of the overall budget.

Selissen proposed that the town develop a policy on new growth where the town puts aside a certain percentage of new growth dollars.

"We need to plan for the future," said Selissen, who received support for this position from the rest of the board.

Another audit, the A133, must be performed on any town that receives more than \$500,000 per year in federal dollars. Tewksbury, which received \$1.5 million for FY2007, passed the audit handily. Sullivan noted that special education costs represent two-thirds of that \$1.5 million.

Town Manager David Cressman pointed out that with a town operating budget close to \$90 million in FY07, Federal dollars amount to less than 2 percent of the budget. He also noted that skyrocketing health insurance costs in the Commonwealth last year represented a two million dollar increase from 2006 to 2007. During that year, real estate growth was three million dollars. So, two out of every three tax dollars last year went to health insurance.



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Gary and Ashley Weadick, Scott and Kayla McEachern, Steven Cheng and Cristina Cheng danced at the Father/Daughter Dance held at the North Intermediate School in Wilmington on Friday night.

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## Her life was taken while helping another

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investigate the matter," said North Andover Police Lt. Paul Gallagher.

Family Continuity Executive Director Earl Stuck described Diruhi Mattian as, "a terrific person and an outstanding therapist."

"She was really dedicated to her work and to her clients," Stuck said. "The tragedy of her death has greatly affected the

entire staff. The work that she did was important."

Mattian was with Family Continuity for 11 years and was the Director of its FLEX Program since 2001.

"She was very experienced and very good at what she did," Stuck said. "We do this type of work all the time. It is just very, very sad."

The Essex County District Attorney's Office was not able

to comment on whether Belanger had ever faced criminal charges in the past. The Boston Herald reported last Friday, however, that Belanger, at age 14, "was involved in an episode that led to multiple charges of assault with a knife and a fire extinguisher, as well as assault on a public official. The charges, part of a sealed juvenile record, were later dismissed, the source said."

## UMass Boston names local students to Dean's List

BOSTON - Jennelle Ciulla and Mikhail Glazomitsky of Wilmington were named to the University of Massachusetts Boston Dean's List for the Fall, 2007 semester.

## The decision will be in your hands

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then go to the ballot as a referendum question during a general election. If the question is approved at the ballot, it would then go to the State House for special legislation, and finally it would land on the Governor's desk for signature.

McCoy had originally proposed simply a non-binding referendum question to appear on the ballot of the upcoming town election to gauge public opinion on the matter. McCoy's proposed question would have read, "Should the Wilmington Planning Board members no longer be appointed by the town manager, but instead be elected by the general public?"

McCoy served on the Planning Board from 1984 to 1987, prior to his election to the Board of Selectmen.

"That board is a very powerful board, it is perhaps one of the most powerful boards in this community," McCoy said Monday night. "It deals with quality of life issues relative to subdivisions - residential and commercial. All the development in this community goes before the Planning Board, everything to do with infrastructure."

McCoy had recently called the Planning Board to task for its handling of the Registry of Motor Vehicles' recent move to Wilmington. He did not believe that Middlesex Avenue in North Wilmington was a suitable location and was upset that the Planning Board did not request a traffic study of the area. The Planning Board defended its position, indicating that the Registry fell within the zoning of the property and, therefore, the Planning Board had no

authority to bar it from occupying the space. Regardless, McCoy stated that the handling of the Registry was not a deciding factor for him, but merely the latest occasion in which he perceived a lack of accountability for Planning Board members.

"We have a very strong town manager (Town Charter) that was implemented here in the 50's," McCoy said. "Those things have served us well, but as time goes on, I believe times change. As an elected official, you are more accountable to what is happening in the community."

Selectmen Chairman Michael Newhouse stated his personal opposition to publicly electing planning board members, but acknowledged the merit of bringing the subject up for discussion. He felt that conducting a simple public opinion poll with a non-binding referendum question would not be as effective as bringing it directly to town meeting - where it would eventually end up anyway - for debate.

"A decision (regarding a Charter Change) has to go to town meeting - as you know - so I'd just as soon put it in that forum and let people debate it, offer their comment, and have a meaningful discussion about it," Newhouse said. "And if it passes, have it mean something. As a selectman, I think we ought to support your ability to bring something like this to the town and would support putting it on the warrant."

Selectman Charles Fiore remarked that several other boards with appointed members, most notably in his opinion the Board of Appeals, were

equally as powerful as the Planning Board.

"If we are going to consider one board, we may want to consider others," Fiore said.

Opinion polls are not unheard of in Wilmington, McCoy told his fellow selectmen, as the Master Plan Committee had sent one out to Wilmington residents several years ago.

"There is no cost to the community, it's just an opinion poll," McCoy said, noting that it would appear on a ballot that would be printed regardless. "Maybe people like it the way it is, and if that's the case then it wouldn't be necessary to even bring it to town meeting."

"This is a real, meaningful, wide-sweeping change," Newhouse said. "I'd just prefer to have that discussion at town meeting where people could bat it back and forth and debate it, rather than just a question."

The motion for the non-binding referendum question failed by a vote of 3 to 2, with McCoy and Selectman Raymond Lepore voting in favor.

McCoy followed up with a motion for the selectmen to support a warrant article to appear in the upcoming May 3 Town Meeting to see whether the town would support a Town Charter change relative to members of the Planning Board being elected instead of appointed. The motion carried unanimously.

Town Counsel will draft the article, and Town Meeting voters will determine whether it will then go to the ballot box.

This year's Annual Town Meeting takes place on Saturday, May 3.

received two votes and two Green Rainbow Party ballots were marked "no preference." Additionally, Ralph Nader was written in on one Republican ballot in Wilmington.

The Town Crier regrets the errors.

Wilmington.

It was erroneously reported that no votes were cast for a Green Rainbow Party candidate, but in fact four ballots were cast in Wilmington for Green Rainbow Party candidates - Cynthia McKinney

Errors and errors of omission appeared in the Town Crier's reporting of Wilmington's Presidential Primary results last week.

Ron Paul was not mentioned in last week's Town Crier, but did in fact receive 54 votes in

## The Moving Wall

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Cimaglia.

The Moving Wall is 252.83 feet long, just more than half the length of its Washington inspiration, and it is made up of 74 separate frames. The tallest point of The Moving Wall stands six-feet tall, and the tallest panels have 137 lines of names.

According to www.themovingwall.org, "The Moving Wall is made out of aluminum panels, having a surface painted with a two-part polyurethane gloss black which gives a mirror-like finish, mounted to angular aluminum frames."

Cimaglia has established a

committee, which will focus on the logistics involved with bringing The Moving Wall to town, and the associated costs. 'The Moving Wall To Wilmington Committee' will be selling commemorative dog-tag style key chains with a baked enamel finish (see attached rendering) throughout town as its major fundraising effort.

Sponsorship and advertising opportunities will also be available within the program guidebook that will be distributed during The Moving Wall's stay in town.

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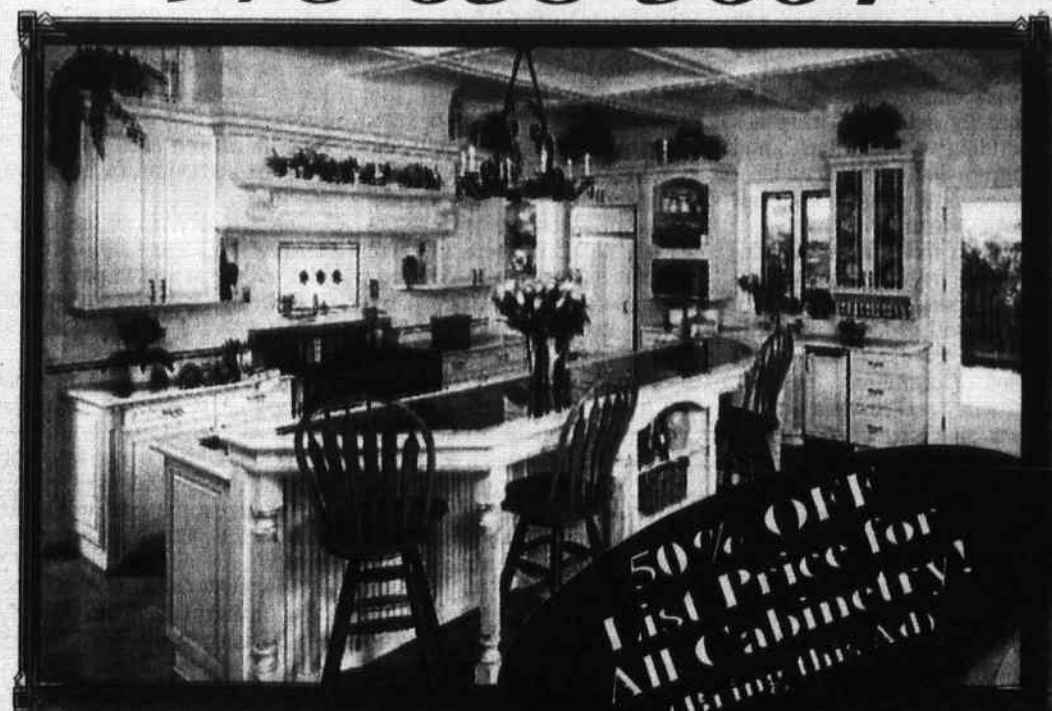
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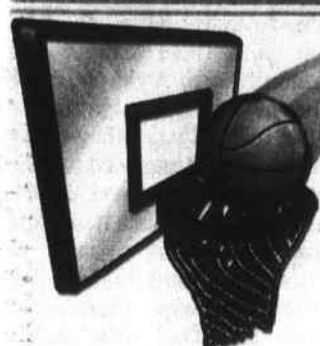
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## 'Cats win league title again

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

It was supposed to be a championship game. It was supposed to come down to the wire with some heroic shot to beat the buzzer. It was supposed to be for all the marbles. It wasn't. Instead, it was the Wilmington High School boys' basketball team who completely mopped up the North Andover Scarlet Knights off the Larry Cushing Gymnasium floor on Tuesday night. A complete annihilation.

In a game that had two teams fighting it out for the league championship, turned into arguably the greatest performance any Wildcat teams has played - at least on the home parquet floor.

The Wildcat boys basketball team again made school history - by pulling out a 75-59 victory over North Andover, the win putting a guarantee that the 'Cats have at least a share of another Cape Ann League title.

More importantly, the win makes it seven straight years that this program has won a league title - and no other team in the history of this athletic program has won six in a row, nevermind seven.

North Andover has one league game left with Masconomet on Friday, and a loss would give Wilmington the league title outright, but a win would have the two teams share the title - although Wilmington defeated North Andover in both meetings - but both teams have one league loss right now as the first battle was a non-league tilt.

"I can't tell you what a win like tonight will hopefully do for us," said McCune, whose team is now 16-2 on the season. "We play like we did tonight down the road, and we can play with teams like Watertown and Bedford (in the state tournament). But we have to be at this level. We reached a new level tonight with our play. For a championship game, that was as good of a game as any Wilmington High School team play or any team I've coached play. These kids were awesome."

Indeed they were awesome - starting from the 'A' all the way down to the 'E'.

"I hope (North Andover wins on Friday against Masconomet) because North Andover and ourselves are the two best teams in the league, and they've had a great run and (Mike McVeigh) is a tremendous coach," said McCune. "We know who the league champ is. If they win that's great but we all know who the league champion is. I'll share it. Sharing is better than not getting it at all, and we had to (win) eight games in a row to get there so we had pressure on us for two-and-a-half weeks."

"And I can't tell you right now how relieved I am. Seven (league titles) in a row is a lot of stress involved with that - a lot of self induced stress. You

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## A new level of play shown

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

Before the season started, Wilmington High School boys' basketball coach Jim McCune gave quite the inspirational speech to his players. He talked about the team having enough potential to get to that next level, to beat the superior teams in the state, and perhaps yes if it all came together, capture the school's first ever state championship.

On Tuesday night, the 'Cats won a championship - the program's seventh straight Cape Ann League title. Wilmington walked all over, stomping, crumbling, crushing and running past North Andover in every facet of the game. The Wildcats walked off their home court with a 75-59 victory, when the game was over just 6:16 into the game when the 'Cats took an 18-4 lead.

No program in the history of WHS athletics has won six league titles in a row, nevermind seven. With the win, Wilmington is now 16-2 on the season, as well as holding an overall record of 137-41 in the past seven years including 93-18 against CAL teams. The Tuesday night win also made it 331 for McCune in his illustrious career.

But this game, this win and this league title is not just about more stats and impressive numbers and feats. It's much more than that. Tuesday night was the start of what hopefully is this program reaching that next level. They were that good on Tuesday night - every single second they were that good.

Now comes the question how did they get there, and can this team keep it up to take on the Big Boys next month?

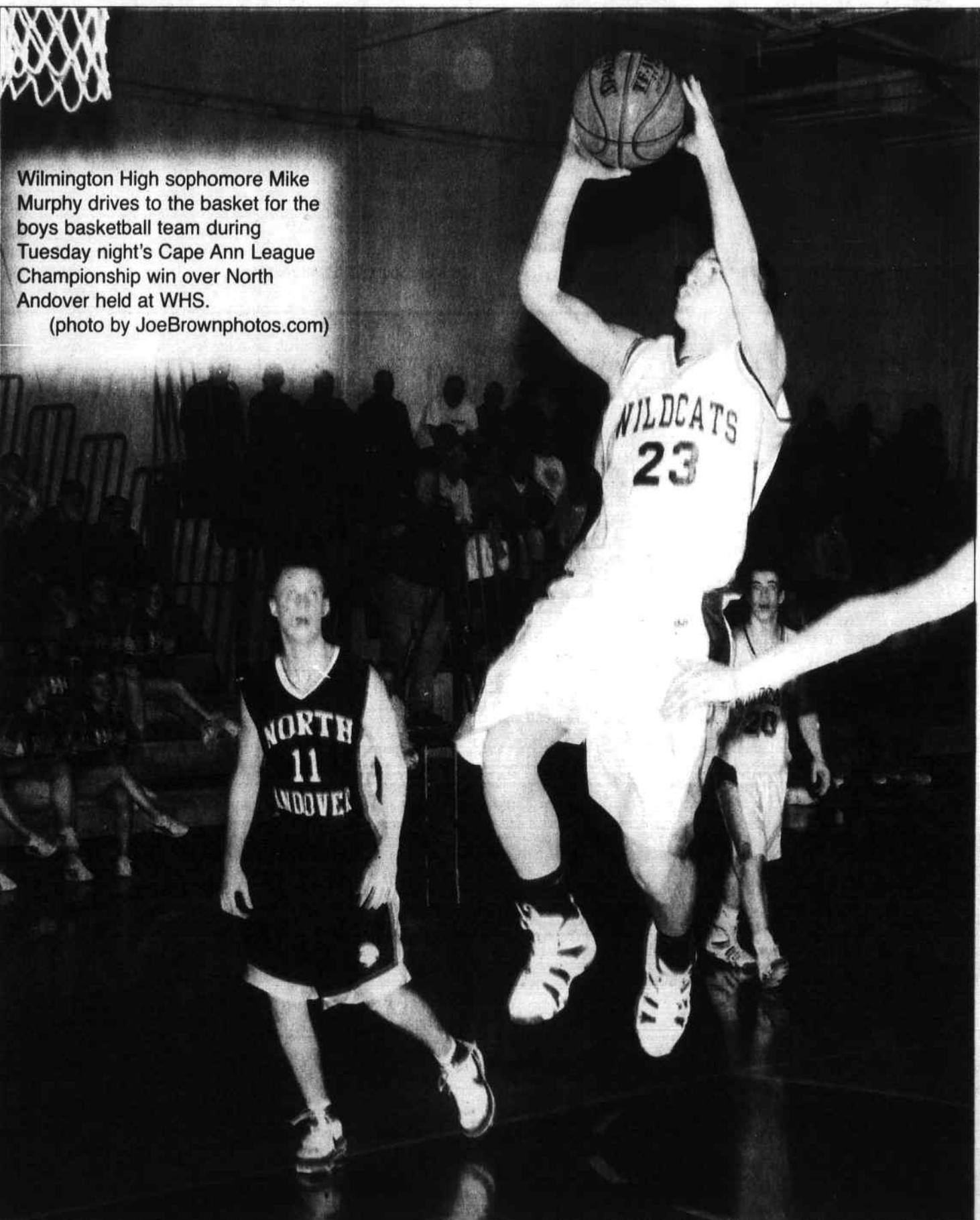
"People looked at us at the beginning of the year and said that we were losing a lot from last year," said tri-captain Evan Borseti after the big win on Tuesday night. "I mean last year people didn't expect us to be that good. It's just the effort everyone puts in - the hustle, the team work and the comradery that we all have together."

Very early in the season, Wilmington had its annual Christmas Tournament. The Wildcats faced Burlington in the first round and lost. There was no emotion on the court, no high fives, no passing and no teamwork whatsoever from the Wildcat players. It was if, their teammates were a roster full of Casper the Evil Ghost. But since then, it's been totally different.

"The Burlington loss was a rude awakening for us because we realized one person or two people can't do it alone," said Borseti. "At the beginning of the season we struggled. I think we just tried to make too many plays but now we have the comradery - everyone knows how each other plays and all we do now is look for the open man and get it to him."

"We had to play with teamwork like coach always talks about. I think we finally came together and realized that if we want to be like those teams

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Wilmington High sophomore Mike Murphy drives to the basket for the boys basketball team during Tuesday night's Cape Ann League Championship win over North Andover held at WHS.

(photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)



# Bonnell wins his third match

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA  
Sports Correspondent

Dan Bonnell said he loved being in front of the hometown crowd. He didn't disappoint.

The Wilmington native won his fight last Friday night at the Shriners Auditorium 2:45 into the first round against Mark Giove.

"I won in the first round by guillotine choke after taking his head off with a huge right hand practically KO'ing him," said an excited Bonnell.

This improves Bonnell's record to 3-4, while Giove drops to 1-1. Bonnell, 27, has a busy schedule ahead of him.

"The next fight for me will be in April in Salem, New Hampshire then back to Wilmington again on June 21st back at the Shriners for the WCF. The next event will be even bigger. They are having UFC fighters fight on the show and Tapout will be filming another one of their shows again," said Bonnell.

Bonnell is currently 27, and runs his own contracting company, Bonnell Construction, Inc. He now lives in Manchester, NH. He is a member of World Championship fighting, and is promoted by Joe Cavallaro.

Bonnell has had a long career of fighting, dating back to his high school days, which has spurred his leap to mixed martial arts. "I've always been involved in wrestling from the time I was a freshman until about two years ago. After finishing high school wrestling I



The Wilmington High School basketball cheerleaders won the Cape Ann League Championship in front of the home crowd on Sunday. On Tuesday night, they performed during the boys basketball game. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

went on to coach at Wilmington High as an assistant to Mike Pimental, the current Wilmington coach. I also started the Wilmington Youth Wrestling program with then Dare officer Chip Bruce.

Bonnell moved to New Hampshire. So he joined team Renzo Gracie of Derry, NH. "Renzo Gracie is one of the best fighters in the world," said Bonnell, "and one of, if not the best, MMA and Jiu Jitsu instructors ever. Renzo Gracie New Hampshire is an affiliate school of the original school out of Manhattan in New York City. This was a huge move for my MMA career and since joining the school I've improved immensely in all aspects of fighting. This year I earned the most improved fighter award given by the writers of massmma.com for the 2007 year end awards."

Bonnell credits his coaches, Kevin Landry and Tim Barchard, for his improvement. Landry is a Brazilian Jiu Jitsu

instructor, and has been for 10 years. Barchard focuses more on "MMA and striking skills". Bonnell's team has a collective record of 25-9, including Woody Weatherby, a 170 pound champ in two different promotions.

Before the fight, Bonnell predicted that Giove would not be able to stand up with him. He was right. The massive right hand landed by Bonnell virtually ended the fight, as Giove dropped and was at the mercy of Bonnell.

## Public skating night at Ristuccia

Wilmington Youth Hockey will host public skate night on Wednesday, February 20th.

Come down to Ristuccia Arena on February 20th for a fun night of skating. The music and skating starts at 7:20 pm and ends at 9:10pm.

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www.wilmingtonyouthhockey.org for updates.

# Boys Hockey team fighting for league title

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

If the Wilmington High School boys' hockey team defeat Pentucket Regional on Wednesday night as this paper hits the local stores, the Wildcats will celebrate with at least a share of the Cape Ann League championship.

Currently Wilmington is riding a 14-game unbeaten streak and have a record of 11-1-2 in the league. Lynnfield, the only team to defeat the 'Cats in league play, is right behind with an 11-2-2 league record. Wilmington has league games left with Pentucket (3-14-0) and North Reading (7-8-1), and Lynnfield has one game left with North Reading.

If Lynnfield defeats North Reading, Wilmington needs just one point in the final two games to share the title, but a win and a tie, or two wins will give the title to Wilmington regardless of what the Pioneers do.

"If we win the game (on Wednesday) we're obviously moving in the right direction getting a piece of the title which will be nice," said head coach Steve Scanlon. "It'll be a stepping stone to play for it but we have to worry about ourselves and take care of one thing at a time. We can worry about the next worry later on."

Wilmington has won six previous league titles since joining the Cape Ann League for the 1995-'96 season. The Wildcats won the championship that first season and followed it up with titles in 1997, '99, 2000, '01 and '02.

Last year Wilmington finished the season with a record of 7-11-2 and many of the same players on this year's roster were a part of that club.

"It's hard to explain to tell you the truth," said Scanlon about the turnaround. "At the beginning of the year I wasn't overly optimistic because it was the same core of kids and you say to yourself, 'well what's going to change?' If I had to put my finger on the turnaround, I would say it's game maturity - it's how to conduct yourselves with a 1-0 lead, or when you're behind, or when you let up a bad goal. A year ago we would find ways to lose games we are winning this year. I think confidence is a big

thing - we got off to a strong start, got a few wins under our belt and I think that made the success a little easier."

Wilmington started this season off on the right foot with a win over the defending league champions Masconomet. Then came a devastating 8-2 loss to Lynnfield, which was followed by three huge wins, Newburyport on the road and then Christmas Tournament wins over two powerful clubs, Milton (9-6-0 in Division 1) and Danvers (9-5-2).

"I thought the turning point for us was coming back after the Lynnfield loss and going on the road and beating Newburyport," said Scanlon. "That was a must win for us - especially psychologically. We also had some other big wins - we came from behind to beat North Andover and we won a couple of other tight games. Those games could've gone either way so there's been a few ingredients in there."

Wilmington has gone 10-1-2 against teams who are one game under .500 or better and 7-1-2 against teams with a winning record.

"I think the leadership has been great especially with Ernie Mello," said Scanlon. "Michael (Cabral) has been outstanding in the net all season long. In my opinion he's the best goalie in the league. He's technically sound, he challenges shooters and his play has really given us a huge lift."

"And exiting our zone cleanly has been a big difference. We struggled so much last year getting the puck out of our zone. Our defensemen have done a great job. We aren't spending as much time in our own end and that's when a mistake costs you. We also got a nice flux of tenth graders who can all skate, who can all play and who are all going to be a good bunch on their own."

Cabral ranks second in the league in GAA posting a 1.90 mark, including giving up 24 goals in 13 games, while Mello ranks third in the conference in scoring with 15 goals and 16 assists in 16 games. Cabral made 26 saves in last Wednesday's 2-2 tie with North Andover and then made 18 stops in the 4-1 win over Triton Regional.

"What's happening is we're fac-

ing teams who are desperate of getting into the state tournament, so we're getting the best from all of these teams," said Scanlon. "North Andover took a different approach against us with a full ice trap - they didn't forecheck at all and tried to frustrate us with turnovers in the neutral zone. We had a hard time adjusting to it."

After a scoreless first period, Andrew Goossens scored the team's first goal with assists going to Nick Robarge and Kevin Flanagan - and the three of them have continued to be nothing short of a major spark plug for the team this season. Michael Enwright added the second goal under four minutes to go in the period with assists going to Mello and Max Wilkins. North Andover came out of the trap in the third period and scored two goals to tie the game up at two.

"It was a good game and it moved them into a point of qualifying for the state tournament," said Scanlon. "We had our chances."

In the win over Triton, Robarge, Goossens, Enwright and Mello scored the goals with Goossens, Kevin Flanagan, Eric Siegel, Brian Svensson, Tim Parker and Robarge adding single assists each.

"Against Triton we played great," said Scanlon. "Their goalie was really good. We outshot them 40-19 including 16-4 in the first period and he made some great saves. He was the story of the game. But the good thing is the (Wilmington) kids didn't get frustrated when they couldn't get it past their goalie. A year ago they would have gone to pieces but instead the kids continued to play real well, the effort was good and they kept putting a ton of shots on net and we were able to get some goals."

After the game with Pentucket, Wilmington will face Dracut on Monday afternoon in a non-league game and the Middies are another team on the verge of qualifying with an 5-6-2 record. Next Wednesday is the contest with North Reading (7-8-1), who also need the victory to qualify before facing the red-hot Tewksbury Redmen (13-2-2) on February 22nd.

## Four Free Throw winners announced

Four Free Throw shooters, representing Fr. Croke Council Knights of Columbus in Wilmington, were victorious in the K of C District Shoot-out held recently at the Wilmington High School Gym. Facing contestants from the Burlington Council, the Wilmington shooters took four of the eight age categories in which they competed. The winners were:

Boys  
10 Matt Spurr; 11 Ryan McEvoy  
Girls

12 Michaela Chenevert; 14 Alyssa Kerr

These four shooters now advance to the Northern Region Shoot-out, at the Coolidge School in Reading, on March 15. Winners from that contest qualify for the K of C State Championships, to be held at Holy Cross College on April 5th.

Congratulations to this fine group of shooter and good luck in the Regionals. Wilmington has been fortunate to have had a number of State Champions in the past and perhaps we can add to the list



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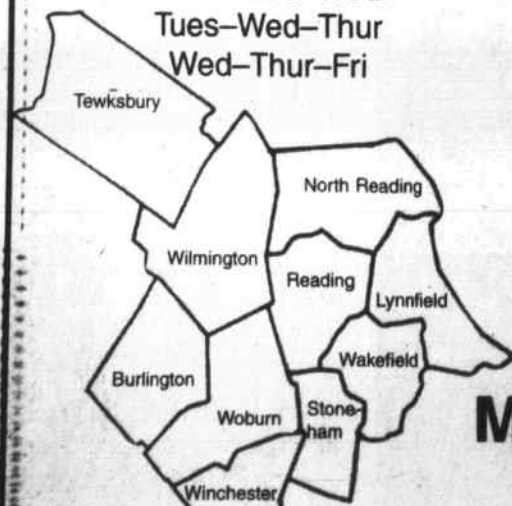
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## Wrestlers take fourth at sectionals

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

The Wilmington High School wrestling team had seven place finishers, including two reach the finals, during Saturday's Division 3 North Sectional Tournament held at Melrose High School.

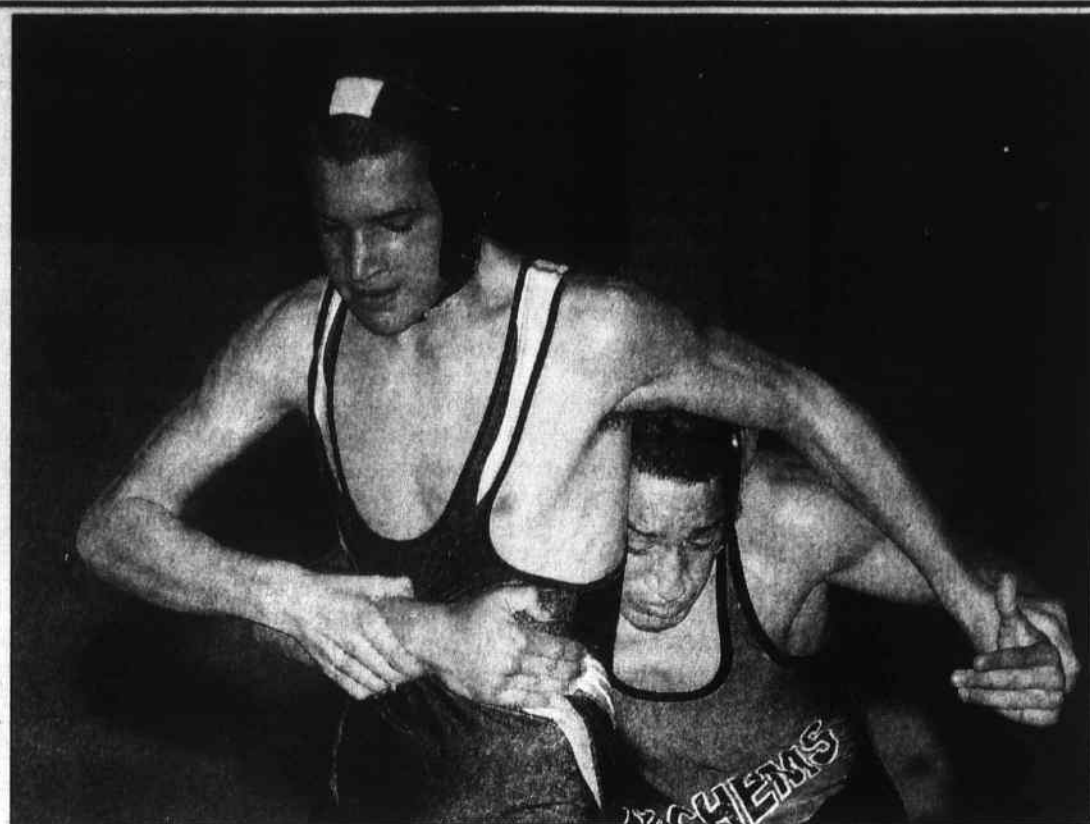
Wilmington finished in sixth place in the standings, as Winchester, Burlington, Lynnfield and Wakefield placed as the top four teams in respective order. The MIAA changed up its post season schedule this year, thus the top four teams in each of the sectional tournaments advance to the post-season team tournament, eliminating the rule that teams qualify with a .500 or better regular season record.

Senior co-captain Kenny Joyce was the team's lone champion as he took the 215-pound division. Junior captain Steve Sughrue was second in the 125-pound division. Fellow teammates John Tranfaglia (152), Matt Sullivan (285), Mike Denufrio (160) and Shawn Adams (112) placed fifth in their respective weight divisions, while, freshman Tyler Strem was sixth at 103 pounds.

Both Joyce and Sughrue advance to this weekend's Division 3 state meet which will be held Friday and Saturday at Wakefield High School - with champion matches tentatively scheduled for 7:00 pm Saturday night, although the times seldomly change - while, Tranfaglia, Sullivan, Denufrio and Adams are all alternates and will only get a chance to compete if a fellow wrestler is hurt, pulls out of competition or fails to make weight.

Although Wilmington struggled throughout the dual meet season, head coach Mike Pimental was thrilled with what he witnessed this weekend.

"Honestly I was really, really impressed and proud of the way



Greg Clarkin of the Wilmington High School wrestling team tries to escape from a Pentucket opponent during a recent match. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

the kids wrestled," he said. "We did well. We had a couple of disappointing losses, but as a whole we wrestled great. Everyone was technically sound and the conditioning we showed was outstanding."

Sughrue, who was a state champion last year at 103 pounds, has done extremely well this season moving up four weight classes. Yet despite the switch up of competition, he managed to take a second place at the sectionals, as he was pinned in the final match.

"He got caught," said Pimental. "He had real good motion going on the bottom, and the kid was able to move Stevie to catch him and then he went on to win. It was a real tough loss for Stevie. He's a kid who did it all last year and right now he's not where he wants to be. But that's why we have this weekend, with something new to shoot for. I've had kids in the past who finished second at the league meet and second at the sectionals and still win a state title."

Tranfaglia finished fifth in the 152-pound division. After winning his first match, he lost in the semi-finals to the eventual sectional runner-up. That put him in the loser's bracket where he was up 7-3 in his next match only to fall 8-7 in triple overtime.

"He was up 7-3 and got caught in a headlock and it was tied after regulation and then he lost in triple overtime," said Pimental.

Two freshmen got into the mix as Tyler Strem finished fifth at 103 pounds and Shawn Adams was also fifth coming out of the 112 pound division.

"Tyler unfortunately started the tournament out as a Tasmanian Devil as he knocked off third seed in the first round," said Pimental. "He won his next match and then he lost in the semi-finals to the eventual sectional runner-up. Then Tyler went to the loser's bracket and he lost another heart-breaker. But this tournament allows him to start to pave the way ahead because he has a great future ahead of him."

"And Shawn had some really exciting matches that went back-and-forth including winning a couple of matches in the last few seconds. He always keeps you on your toes. Sometimes you'll be there biting your fingernails and sometimes he'll be right where you want him to be. He's just a freshman, so he also has started to pave the way for a bright future."

Denufrio and Sullivan are also new to earning medals and Pimental was elated for both of them as well.

## Joyce pins down his first sectional title

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

A week earlier, Kenny Joyce lost in the finals of the Cape Ann League 215-pound wrestling championship match. He was devastated. Ailing, tired and emotionally drained, the thought of coming back one more week with a broken heart didn't seem all that appealing to him.

"Coach (Mike) Pimental kept telling me all week that people will remember you more as a sectional champion, than a Cape Ann League champion," said Joyce. "I was really upset after the Cape Ann League Meet. Coach just made me think about that more, and get me focused more. It definitely helped."

That incentive pushed Joyce into this weekend. Joyce took on three opponents, won all three matches, all by pins to become the 215-pound Division 3 North sectional champion.

"This is a pretty big confidence booster for me," he said. "It's a good reward for my career. Not too many kids can say that were a sectional champion. I rather have this than the Cape Ann League title."

With the three wins, Joyce is now 33-7 on the season. He's had two losses in which he would like to forget, and after the first one came in the Mount Anthony tournament final, Pimental stressed that he hoped Joyce wasn't peaking too fast and too soon.

"He has really come along really, really nice," said Pimental. "I wanted him to peak at the right time and it seems like he has. He was really disappointed after losing in the finals of the Cape Ann League Meet. But I tell you that was one of the most exciting matches I've ever coached. You

obviously don't want to be on the sidelines when your kid loses, but you want to be involved in those kinds of matches."

Joyce really didn't have too many thrilling victories on Saturday - he took the fun out of them by dominating. He pinned his first opponent in 37 seconds, followed that up with another pin in the second round which put him into the sectional finals.

"We were in the second round (of the final match) and I was on bottom, and I got a reversal on the kid but the referee didn't give it to me because he said I was out of bounds. I thought I was in and so did Coach - but that helped me pre-roll the kid and I eventually pinned him."

That gave Joyce the biggest win of his career.

"I kept telling him last week that it's one thing to be disappointed now after the Cape Ann League loss, but more people will remember you as a sectional champion than a league champion," said Pimental. "I told him, if you're going to do it Kenny, do it big and a sectional title is doing it big."

"Besides winning, I thought this was a great example for him of putting the past behind him. Even though he lost, he put everything he had into that Cape Ann League final match, and he kept doing that, despite the outcome. He found the positives and was rewarded for that. It paid off and I'm very proud of him. This was his moment in the spotlight and he deserves it."

Joyce is now the fourth seed at this weekend's Division 3 state meet which will be held at Wakefield High School.

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# With CAL title in hand, DiNuccio and Clarkin gear up for state meet

By MIKE IPPOLITO  
Sports Correspondent

Heading into last week's Cape Ann League meet at the Reggie Lewis, neither Jimmy DiNuccio or Nate Clarkin had tasted defeat all season long while helping the Wilmington High boys indoor track team to an 8-1 regular season record.

With a CAL title and a spot in the State Class meet on the line, neither was about to see that first defeat come in the biggest meet of the year, as DiNuccio continued his perfect mark in the 600 meters with a time of 1:28.10, and Clarkin bested all comers in the shot put with a throw of 48-6.

Both will compete in the MIAA Division 3 Championship Meet this Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Center.

Clarkin's success perhaps came no surprise to followers of Wilmington track, as he has dominated his event for the past couple of years, even advancing to the All-State meet last season, but DiNuccio may have snuck up on some people despite his unblemished record this season.

One person who was not surprised by the junior's success was his head coach Bob Cripps.

"I thought he was capable of it because of how successful he has been this season," Cripps

said. "He does not win his races by a ton, but he is consistently winning and coming from behind, which seems to be the way he likes to run. But at the CAL's he let it all out."

Did he ever. The 1:28.10 was a new personal best for DiNuccio, who knew he would likely need a performance like that if he was going to be successful in this meet.

"I felt like I was going to do well, but I was not sure I would win," DiNuccio said. "There was a kid from Ipswich (Nick Philpot) who I knew was very good and would be my main competition, and fortunately I was able to beat him."

Clarkin, who had a career best throw of 52-0 earlier this season, entered the CAL's with high expectations as he does in nearly every meet, but he also knew he would be facing a stiff challenge in Richie Pace of Newburyport, who would be standing in the way of a possible championship.

"There is very strong competition in the CAL's, especially with Pace," Clarkin said. "I had beaten him earlier this year, but I was the first one in two years to beat him. It came as a bit of a shock that I was able to beat him again, but I am glad it happened."

Clarkin had had an outstanding career for the Wildcats,



Jimmy DiNuccio

winning nearly every dual meet over the past couple of years and competing in some of the most prestigious meets in the state. Clarkin says that a big reason for his success has been the competition he faces within his own team.

"Nick Farnsworth, who is the

back up thrower on our team, provides me with state meet competition at every meet and also in every practice," Clarkin said. "He throws about 46-4 which makes him good enough to be the top thrower on any team and he will probably make All-States."

While Clarkin credits his teammates, Cripps credits Clarkin for making the other shot putters on the team more successful.

"The thing about Nate that is unfortunate is that you cannot credit his coach for his success," Cripps joked. "I don't have enough time or expertise to spend with him so Nate for all intents and purposes is the shot put coach for both boys and girls. He is getting better all the time."

DiNuccio also seems to be getting better all the time. He had a fine season last year as just a sophomore, but this year he has taken his abilities to a whole new level, consistently winning and consistently bettering his times.

"I think it is a combination of things that has made him better," Cripps said. "He is obviously bigger and stronger, which helps with a variety of things. Most of the races in the big meets are in meters instead of yards, which can be a problem for some kids, but it does

not hurt Jimmy because he trains so well."

For DiNuccio, part of the improvement has been a matter of motivation.

"This year I have been trying even harder because I have college on my mind and I want to get noticed," DiNuccio said. "Also I enjoy the thought of being the fastest."

And with the individual success that both athletes have had this season, has come great team success thanks to their efforts as well as that of many others. That has been the aspect of the season that both have enjoyed most.

"It's been great to have the team do so well," DiNuccio said. "Coach Cripps was very happy. He was not entirely surprised because he thought we would do well, but he was very happy."

Clarkin was also happy to be part of such a great year as he winds down his high school career.

"Nick Jannone and I were just ecstatic as captains and especially during our senior year," Clarkin said. "To go 8-1 in our senior year and get coach Cripps the Coach of the Year award was great."

With the State Class Meet coming up this weekend, the goals turn from team oriented to individual and both athletes



Nate Clarkin

are looking forward to using the CAL success as a spring board to more post season success.

"Going against the best competition like it CAL's pushes you to do your best and I am sure at States there will be even tougher competition," DiNuccio said. "I am looking forward to not only the 600, but also the 4 x 400 where I feel like we have a chance to do very well."

Clarkin will be trying to advance to All-States for the second year in a row.

"I would love to come out on top and if I am fortunate enough to do that I would be very happy," Clarkin said. "But mainly I just want to qualify for All-States."

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# Wildcat girls hoop team avenges loss to North Andover

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

After getting blown out by a very powerful Masconomet team on Friday night, the Wilmington High School girls'

basketball team came back strong to defeat North Andover on the road Tuesday night, 34-28, to improve to 13-6 on the season.

The win is significant for

many reasons. First the 'Cats were able to come through despite struggling offensively with a tremendous defensive effort. Secondly, this win avenges an earlier 23-point loss

to the Scarlet Knights. Next, the Wildcats won the game despite the season long team injuries, with captain Stephanie Sauve still out with an ankle sprain and sophomore Amy

Fahey, who played limited minutes despite being in crucial pain.

And lastly the win is huge because it helps the Wildcats in the very crowded Division 3 North sectional tournament. Twelve teams have qualified for competition with two more on the bubble. Wilmington has one game left with Salem on Tuesday night, and a win will probably get them a sixth seed, but a loss could drop them down to seven or eight.

"I think if we finish as the sixth or seventh seed that we'll have a home game and that would be great," said head coach Jay Keane. "I thought this (North Andover game) was a tremendous win for us. It was a tough win, on the road on North Andover's senior night and against a team who beat us pretty good the first time we played. This helps us in the seedings and all but guarantees us a home playoff game."

Wilmington came out strong in the first quarter before hitting a huge wall in the second quarter scoring just two points. But in the third quarter the offense got back on track, and Wilmington was able to slowly pull away making it a multiple possession game for the Knights who couldn't answer in time.

"It was a defensive battle," said Keane. "We couldn't score in the second quarter. But the good thing is even if we're not

scoring, we can play defense and our defense held up until our scoring came back."

Sophomore guard Jessica Stukeley led the way with 11 points, while a very hobbled Fahey scored all eight of her points in the second half. Alyssa Brown, also back from a knee injury, finished with seven.

"Everyone I put in, steps in and does the job," said Keane. "Stephanie Woods has stepped into a starting role now for the past four games and she's been an important piece of the success that we've had. I think the fact that the girls are still winning despite our injuries, is a credit to them. We have different girls stepping up and it's a credit to the girls because they haven't fallen apart."

On Friday night, a very talented Masconomet Cheifstain team (15-1) walked past Wilmington, 78-45, at the Cushing Memorial

Gymnasium. Wilmington, still playing without two starters Stephanie Sauve and Amy Fahey, got one starter back in Alyssa Brown, who ended the night with nine points. Sophomore Jessica Stukeley led the way offensively for the 'Cats with a dozen, while Brittany Winchell added seven.

Wilmington will conclude its season on Tuesday night with a non-league game at home against Salem.



Wilmington High junior Kristen Browne, with help from Stephanie Woods in the background, fights for a loose ball with Masconomet's Caroline Stewart during Friday night's Cape Ann League girls hoop game. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

## Joyce pins down title

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"I'm in a pretty good bracket," he said. "There's a lot of tough kids. I've never really had a legitimate shot to do anything at a state meet so I'm nervous but excited at the same time."

In order to get ready for the state meet, Joyce has taken some different approaches.

"I've been wrestling a lot of the coaches the last few days," said Joyce. "Especially (Assistant) Coach (C.J.) Semartis. He not only makes it tough to wrestle him, but painful too. But I've also gone up against Coach

(Joel) McKenna and Coach (Adam) DePasquale. Coach DePasquale has taught me and helped me so much. He's taught me about having a good defense and not allowing kids to shoot in on you because he's so tough to shoot against. I think I'm ten times better than I was before I started working with him."

And that's proven, as Kenny Joyce is a Division 3 sectional champion, a moment he's never enjoyed in his previous three years as a Wildcat.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on February 28, 2008 at 6:40 p.m. in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by John Carroll for a variance from Section 4148 of the Zoning Bylaw for a proposed single family dwelling with insufficient required contiguous uplands. Said property is located at 15A Dirlam Circle, Assessor's Map 82, Lots 111, 218, 271 and 272, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

2.13.08, 2.20.08 Robert Stephens, 6165  
Chairman

## LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE  
MORTGAGEE'S SALE  
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Michelle M. Fox and Neal Fox to New Century Mortgage Corporation, dated April 1, 2005 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 18584, Page 83 of which mortgage HSBC Bank USA, National Association on behalf of the Trust Fund and for the Benefit of Ace Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2005-HE4 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, is the present holder by assignment, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 1901 Pouliot Place, Wilmington, MA will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00 A.M. on March 17, 2008, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon shown as Lot 68 as shown on a subdivision plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land, Shawheen Estates, Wilmington, Massachusetts", Scale 1" = 40', dated December 20, 1993, Engineers: Dana F. Perkins, Inc., Civil Engineers and Surveyors, prepared for Shawheen River Assoc., which plan is recorded in Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book

## LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE  
MORTGAGEE'S SALE  
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Bruce T. Barron and Jane T. Barron to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, dated December 24, 2003 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 16710, Page 49 of which mortgage LaSalle Bank National Association as Trustee for Securitized Asset Investment Loan Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2004-4, is the present holder by assignment, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 1 Glenview Road, Wilmington, MA will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on February 26, 2008, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 63 on a plan entitled, "Suncrest Acres, Owned by Eleazar Squibb and Wesley Ryan", dated April 7, 1948, by

## LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF  
REAL ESTATE  
12 Van Buren Road,  
Tewksbury, MA 01876

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Margaret R. Gatti and Joseph Barthel to First NLC Financial Services, LLC by and through its nominee Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated November 29, 2006, and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 20827, Page 238, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on February 21, 2008 at 12:00PM, at or upon the mortgaged premises more particularly described below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

THE LAND IN TEWKSBURY, BEING LOT A ON A PLAN OF SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 979, 981, AND 985, ORCHARD HEIGHTS, TEWKSBURY MASSACHUSETTS, DATED MAY 10, 1945, DANA P. PERKINS CIVIL ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR AND RECORDED IN PLAN BOOK 67, PLAN 33A. SAID LOT A IS BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT AT THE INTERSECTION OF HARRISON ROAD AND VAN BUREN ROAD AND PROCEEDING: EASTERLY BY VAN BUREN ROAD AS SHOWN BY SAID PLAN NINETY (90) FEET; SOUTHERLY BY LOT B ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET; WEST-

184, Page 12. Subject to and with the benefit of the right to use the streets and ways as shown on said plan for all purposes for which streets and ways are commonly used in the Town of Wilmington in common with others entitled thereto. Subject to Access and Utility Easement as shown on said plan. Further together with the benefit of a sewer service easement as shown on said plan. Subject to Shawheen River Estates Associates reservation of an easement of access right in the granted premises for itself, its successors, and assigns for the benefit of Lot 69 to allow for the repair, maintenance, or replacement of all conduits, chutes, ducts, plumbing, wiring, flues, or other facilities for the furnishing of utility services to Lot 69 and contained in the granted premises. Subject to and with the benefit of an easement of access upon Lot 69 to allow for the repair, maintenance or replacement of all conduits, chutes, ducts, plumbing, wiring, flues, or other facilities for the furnishing of utility services to the granted premises and contained in Lot 69. Subject to a Declaration of Protection Covenants in recorded in MNRD 5550, Page 41

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 09999, Page 033

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to

precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or current funds in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 321 Billerica Road, Suite 210, Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100, or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

HSBC Bank USA, National Association on behalf of the Trust Fund and for the Benefit of Ace Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2005-HE4 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates

Korde & Associates, P.C.  
321 Billerica Road, Suite 210  
Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100  
(978) 256-1500  
(07-0606F/CHL/Fox)(02/06/08, 02/13/08, 02/20/08)(102560)

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record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or current funds in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 321 Billerica Road, Suite 210, Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100, or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

LaSalle Bank National Association as Trustee for Securitized Asset Investment Loan Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2004-4

Korde & Associates, P.C.  
321 Billerica Road, Suite 210  
Chelmsford, MA 01824-4100  
(978) 256-1500  
(07-0607F/OOMC/Barron)  
(01/30/08, 02/06/08, 02/13/08)(101571)

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If the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale defaults in purchasing the property according to the terms of this notice of sale or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder (or other successive bidders, in the order of their bid) provided that such other bidder deposits with Mortgagee's attorneys, Michienzie & Sawin LLC, the amount of the required deposit as set forth below within ten (10) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to such other bidder within thirty (30) days of the default, which time periods may be reasonably extended by the Mortgagee in its sole discretion.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00) is to be paid in certified check and/or bank cashier's check to be paid by the Purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid by the Purchaser by certified check and/or bank cashier's check within thirty (30) days thereafter, which time period may be reasonably extended by the Mortgagee in its sole discretion, at the offices of Harry Castleman, Esquire, Michienzie & Sawin LLC, 745 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2007-HE1 present holder of said mortgage by its attorney, Harry Castleman, Esquire, MICHIEENZIE & SAWIN LLC, 745 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family  
Court Department  
MIDDLESEX Division  
Docket No. 08P0378EP1In the Estate of  
ROBERT F. TERRIO  
Late of MIDDLESEX

## In the County of MIDDLESEX

## Date of Death October 2, 2007

## NOTICE OF PETITION

## FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that JOHN J. TERRIO of TEWKSBURY in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executor, named in the will to serve without

surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT CAMBRIDGE ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON MARCH 10, 2008.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. PETER C. DIGANGI, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, February 4, 2008.

2.13.08 John R. Buonomo  
6170 Register of Probate

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S  
SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jeanne F. Cerbone and Joseph A. Cerbone to Beneficial Massachusetts, Inc., dated October 27, 2003 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 16454, Page 272, of which mortgage Beneficial Massachusetts, Inc. is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 5:00 p.m. on March 10, 2008, on the mortgaged premises located at 5902 Pouliot Place, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

The land with the buildings thereon shown as Lot 99 on a subdivision plan entitled, "Subdivision Plan of Land Shawheen Estates, Wilmington, Massachusetts", Scale: 1" = 40, dated November 22, 1995 Engineers: Dana F. Perkins, Inc., Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Tewksbury and Reading, Mass prepared for Shawheen River Assoc., 100 Mink Run Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts, recorded at Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 190, Plan 42.

Subject to and with the benefit

of the right to use the streets and ways as shown on said plan for all purposes for which streets and ways, are commonly used in the Town of Wilmington in common with others entitled thereto.

Subject to the Grantor's reservation of an easement of access right in the granted premises for itself its successors and assign for the benefit of Lot 98 to allow for the repair, maintenance or replacement of all conduits, chutes, ducts, plumbing, wiring, flues or other facilities for the furnishing of utility services to Lot 98 and contained in the grant-ed premises.

Subject to and with the benefit of an easement of access upon Lot 98 to allow for the repair, maintenance or replacement of all conduits, chutes, ducts, plumbing, wiring, flues or other facilities for the furnishing of utility services to the granted premises and contained in Lot 98.

Subject to a Declaration of Protective Covenants recorded at Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 5550, Page 41.

For title reference see said Deeds, Book 5550 Page 35. For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 7831, Page 107.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all

unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

## TERMS OF SALE

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02481-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

BENEFICIAL MASSACHUSETTS, INC.

Present holder of said mortgage By its attorneys,

HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.

150 California Street

Newton, MA 02458

(617) 558-0500  
200704-0900 - GRY  
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# Levine gets the call to the Hall

Steve Levine doesn't see himself as the hall of fame type. Even after 90 consecutive seasons of coaching track at Tewksbury High School and 35 years on the job, the 57-year-old Levine still values a blue-collar work ethic that has led him to the Massachusetts State Track Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Levine will be honored by that association on Thursday, April 10 at The Lantana in Randolph.

When Levine strides to the podium to accept the honor,



Tewksbury Memorial High School boys indoor track coach Steve Levine will be inducted into the Massachusetts State Track Coaches Association Hall of Fame on April 10th.

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best junior high school leagues in the state. Levine then went on to run with and coach such Tewksbury track legends as Jim Stronach, Mike Hurton, Gary Johnson and Tewksbury Fire Dept. Chief Rick Mackey. Still, even with those standouts and the pressure that comes with success in those early years, Levine says that "the trademark of Tewksbury track has always been fun."

Levine was omnipresent at the high school then and now, assisting the late Mike Daley with the indoor track program and getting a fledgling TMHS' soccer team started in 1976. Through it all, Levine was never really into the standings of his teams, even this past winter, when for the first time, a TMHS winter track team placed 10th in a 10 team MVC Meet, something that has never happened before in the school's history.

"I'm not a wins and losses type of guy," he says. "I don't want the kids to be satisfied with a good performance. I want them to always give the best that they've got. You want to compete with the idea that you want to be the best that you can be."

Levine has made his share of personal sacrifices over the years in his effort to spark this 'best you can be blue-collar system of success in Tewksbury. "The real hall of famer in my family is my wife Karen," says Levine. Married 28 years, the couple has three children, Ashley (a sophomore at UNH), Adam (in the Navy) and oldest son Ryan, a community recreation director in Allston-Brighton.

"My family made some sacrifices in the early years, because in order to do this job right, you have to be here," said Levine. "My wife and I joke that the only reason that we've been married for 28 years is that I'm never home. The highlight of my career is that my wife and family have always been there and supported me."

Even with this honor, Levine has his life and his coaching career in perspective. If he has an ego, it is never apparent, with the ultimate goal the care that he displays for the Tewksbury athletes.

"I don't feel like I'm getting this award. I feel like the Tewksbury track program and all of the people that I've been associated with over the years are getting this award," he says. People like McGadden, Piscione, coach Peter Molloy, and all of the volunteer assistants, who Levine laughs are just itching to step into his job.

"This award won't be coming to my house. It will be somewhere here in the high school where everyone can see it. My name will be on it, but anyone who has ever worked with me knows that they have always been co-coaches in Tewksbury."

Ever the optimist, Levine has always worked hard when often facing the tired and worn-out athletic facilities at the school. It seems that nothing shakes his resolve to help his teams get better, no matter what the obstacles.

"If we have to practice in the hallways, that's what we do," says Levine. "We make the best with what we've got, because after all, that's what life is all about. If everything is good for you, sometimes you start to lay back a little and start feeling that you're better than someone else."

If Levine has one line that he lives by, it's that he has never pampered an athlete. He uses a phrase that he is careful not to take lightly. One of his former track athletes, Eric Hamilton, saw it on the back of a t-shirt, and immediately recognized it as coming from Levine at some point during his career. It said: "Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard."

Words that any athlete should live by daily. Just ask Steve Levine. One of those blue collar guys from Tewksbury.

# Gore enjoys career night for UMass Lowell men's hoop team

Wilmington native Mike Gore scored 19 points, including 17 in the second half, to lead UMass Lowell to a 59-53 victory over LeMoyne University on Saturday.

Gore, a senior forward on the team, shot 7-13 from the field and 4-4 from the line. He also had six rebounds in the game.

Three former Tewksbury High teammates took part in the "Valentine Invitational" held at Boston University. Peter Fortunato of UMass Amherst finished in 30th place in the 1000 meter run with a time of 2:33.18. David Camoscio, a sophomore at Bryant, competed in the 3000 meter run. He finished in 152nd place with a time of 9:39.69. Eric Webb of Bentley ran a time of 2:07.19 in the 800 meters, finishing in 170th place.

On the women's side of the race, three former Tewksbury High teammates also competed. Kaitlin Rose of UNH ran the 800 meters, finishing in 67th place with a time of 2:23.39. Sarah Bonomo, a freshman at UMass-Lowell, finished the 3000 meter run with a time of 11:03.91, placing her 68th. Jennifer Carr, also a freshman at UMass-Lowell, competed in the 800 meter run and came in 129th place with a time of 2:39.08.

Tewksbury's Sarah Boudreau had eight points and four rebounds for Westfield State in a 58-47 loss to Bridgewater State last Tuesday. The sophomore guard started the game for the Owls and played 38 out of a possible 40 minutes.

Jeff Hass of Tewksbury finished in first place in Saturday's "Fudgcicle 5K," running a time of 20:07. Mike Hurton of Tewksbury finished in fourth place with a time of 21:08. Mark Blaisdell of Wilmington was right behind him in fifth place with a time of 21:13. Jim Burns, also of Tewksbury, finished in 19th place with a time of 25:12. On the women's side, Marli Piccolo of Tewksbury finished in seventh place with a time of 23:52.

The "Fudgcicle 5K Race Series" is an eight-part event with races beginning at Tewksbury High School. The seventh leg will be held this Saturday at 8 a.m. For more information, contact Glenn Stewart of the Lowell Road Runners at: president@glr.net

Tewksbury Youth Baseball needs managers for the minor AAA and AA leagues. Those who are interested should go to



the league's website and fill out an application and CORI form. That website is: <http://eteamz.active.com/tewksburybaseball/index.cfm>.

Schedules for the Tewksbury Girls' Basketball League are currently posted on the league's website. For more information, go to: <http://www.tgbl.org/>.

The TGBL is hosting a field trip to a Boston College women's basketball game on Monday. The cost for the trip is \$5 and includes bus transportation and game ticket.

Tewksbury Boys Basketball is in the midst of their season. Schedules and league standings are posted on its website. That website is: <http://eteamz.active.com/tbbl/index.cfm>. The league's website also has a list of all of the calendar winners so far this year.

Registration for the spring 2008 season of Tewksbury Youth Soccer has begun. Parents can register online at the league's website: <http://www.tewksburyyouthsoccer.org/>.

The Tewksbury Youth Skating Association is hosting "Plunkett Night" on Feb. 29th at the Tewksbury Country Club. Tickets can be bought online for \$25 or through a board member for \$20. For more information, visit the league's website at: <http://www.tysa-redmen.com/>.

The league is also hosting another "Night at the Devils" event at Tsongas Arena on March 2nd. More information on that event will be published as it becomes available.

Game schedules for Wilmington Youth Hockey are available on the league's website. That website is: <http://www.wilmingtonyouthhockey.org/>. They are also hosting a "Night at the Devils" event on March 2nd.

In-town registration has ended for Wilmington Youth Soccer. However, players can still register online at: <http://www.wilmingtonyouthsoccer.org/>. They must pay a late

fee of \$35 and will be placed on a waiting list.

Wilmington Youth Soccer will be giving out four \$1000 scholarships this year to graduating seniors. The deadline is Friday, April 25th. For more information, visit the league's website: <http://www.wilmingtonathletics.com/Lacrosse/>.

The Wilmington Youth Lacrosse Association is hosting a dance on Friday, March 7th at Tewksbury Country Club. For more information, go to the league's website: <http://www.wilmingtonathletics.com/Lacrosse/>.

Registration for Wilmington Pop Warner will be held Monday, Feb. 25th at 6 pm at the Fourth of July Building. Forms can be downloaded from the league's website: <http://www.wilmingtonpopwarner.com/>.

The UMass Lowell baseball team is offering a winter clinic during from next week at the Costello Athletic Center. The five-day session is for children aged 6-12, and will be conducted from 9:00 a.m. until noon. The cost is \$100 per child with a \$10 discount for each additional child enrolled from the same family. For more information, visit [www.goriverhawks.com](http://www.goriverhawks.com), or contact Ken Harring at (978) 934-2344 or [Ken\\_Harring@uml.edu](mailto:Ken_Harring@uml.edu).

If anyone has a tip or story you believe deserves mention for this column, e-mail me at: [digo@mail.umd.edu](mailto:digo@mail.umd.edu)

## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF WILMINGTON



## PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on March 4, 2008 at 8:45 p.m. in Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on Site Plan Review #08-2, entitled, "Parking Lot Expansion", dated February 5, 2008; submitted on February 11, 2008 by Eugene T. Sullivan, Inc.; prepared by Professional Engineer: Eugene T. Sullivan, Jr., Eugene T. Sullivan, Inc., 31 Sheridan Road, Wilmington, MA 01887. Said property is located at 14 Jewel Drive, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 24 Parcel 209A. This project proposes to create an additional 21,400 square feet of paved area to provide additional on-site parking, larger loading zones, and added driveway aisles to improve traffic flow at the rear of the building.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
02-13-08; 02-20-08 6179

## LEGAL NOTICE

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### The Trial Court

#### Probate and Family

#### Court Department

#### MIDDLESEX Division

#### Docket No. 08P0438AD1

#### In the Estate of

#### ANNIE E. COTE

#### Late of WILMINGTON

### In the County of MIDDLESEX

Date of Death August 15, 1976

## NOTICE OF PETITION

## FOR APPOINTMENT

## OF ADMINISTRATOR

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that ARTHUR ALFRED COTE of TEWKSBURY in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed administrator of said estate to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT CAMBRIDGE ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON MARCH 3, 2008.

WITNESS, HON. PETER C. DIGANGI, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court.

BRIDGE this day, February 5, 2008.

2.13.08 John R. Buonomo  
6177 Register of Probate

## LEGAL NOTICE

### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Case No 363011

To: John R. Fowler; Karen A. Fowler and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. US Bank, NA as trustee of Series 2007 GEL1 claiming to be the holder of a Mortgage covering real property in Tewksbury, numbered 900 Old Shawshen Street given by John R. Fowler to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., dated May 31, 2006, and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 20169, Page 78 and now held by the plaintiff by assignment has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 17th day of March 2008 or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, KARYN F. SCHEIER, Chief Justice of said Court on JAN. 31, 2008.

Attest: Deborah J. Patterson  
Recorder  
200711-0204-ORE  
2.13.08 6173

## LEGAL NOTICE

### TOWN OF WILMINGTON



## PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on March 4, 2008 at 9:15 p.m. in Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on Site Plan Review #08-3, entitled, "Proposed Construction Plans in Wilmington, MA", dated February 8, 2008; submitted on February 12, 2008 by Michael Quinn, Quinn Management, Inc., 360 Rt. 101, Suite 4B, Bedford, NH 03110-5033; prepared by Professional Surveyor: Alan C. Nelson, A.C. Nelson Cartography, P.O. Box 139, Burlington, MA 01803-0139. Said property is located at 364 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 89 Parcel 7. This project is to construct a 2,027 s.f. Dunkin Donuts franchise with a drive up window and associated parking.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
02-13-08; 02-20-08 6180

# Hockey this weekend

The Chelmsford Forum and the Burlington Ice Palace will celebrate "Hockey Weekend Across America," by throwing Public Skating Parties at both rinks on Friday and Sunday. Bay State Hockey and the Boston Bruins will be on hand to do giveaways, and a live DJ will be playing today's hottest music and running trivia contests throughout the skating session. Those wearing their favorite hockey jersey will be entered to win Bruins tickets. All skaters are eligible to participate in the contests.

"Hockey Weekend Across America," set for Feb. 15-17, 2008, is a new initiative being led by USA Hockey to celebrate the game and all those involved in the sport at all levels, while also sharing hockey with new audiences.

**WHERE & WHEN -**  
The Chelmsford Forum  
Friday, February 15  
7:30pm - 8:50pm  
The Burlington Ice Palace  
Sunday, February 17  
3:20pm - 4:20pm  
**WHO -** Blades (Bruins Mascot) The Bruins Ice Girls  
100+ Local Skaters

The Town Crier

-AND-

NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS

showcase

CINEMAS

WOBURN

MOVIE TRIVIA

WINNERS

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Paul Rudd starred with Will Ferrell in which of these comedies?

☒ A: Anchorman ☐ B: Blades of Glory ☐ C: Knocked Up

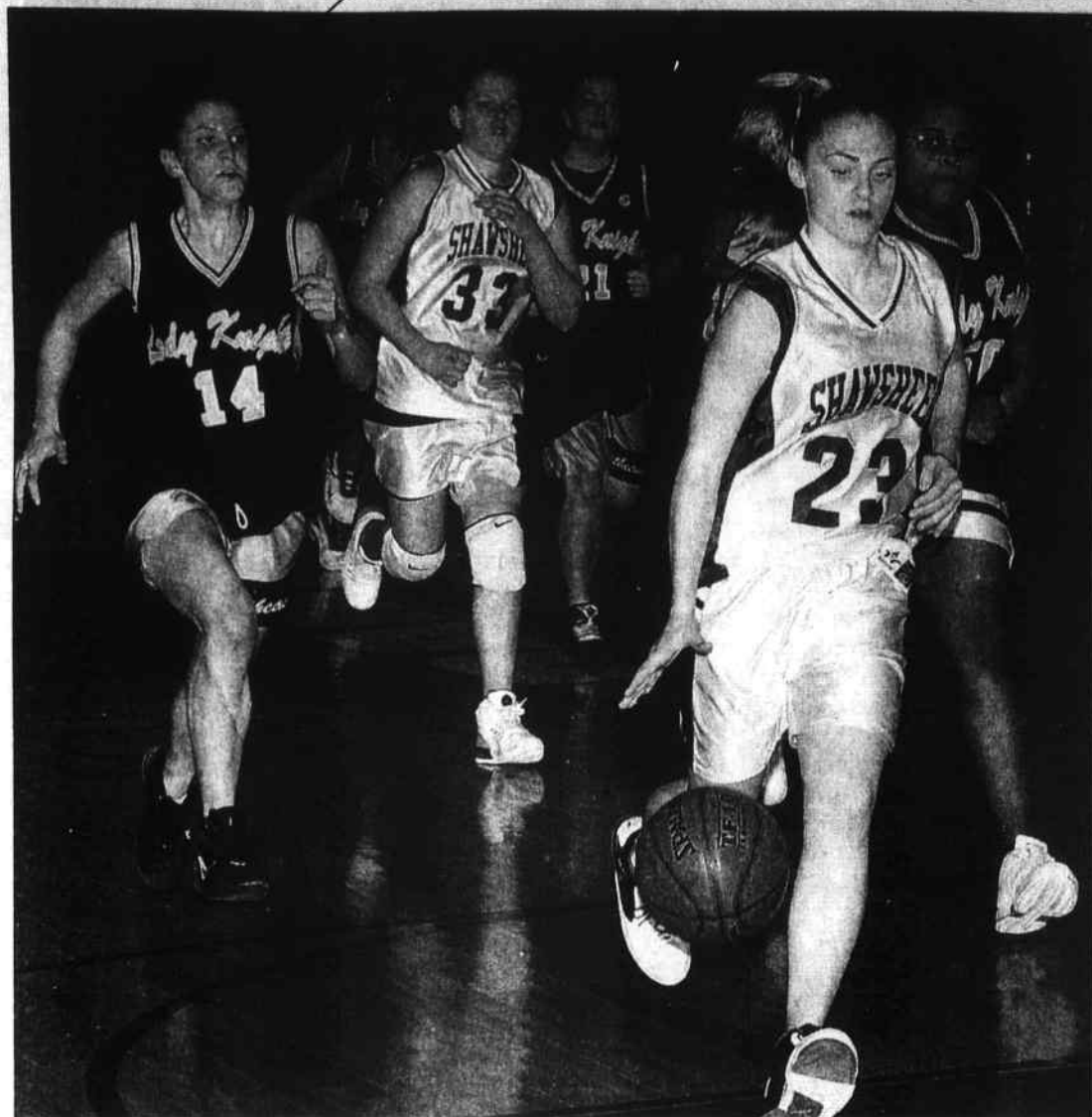
And the winners are...

(The envelope please...)

- Karen Martin, 149 Trull Rd., Tewksbury
- Ralph Buttaro, 79 1/2 High St., Wilmington
- Judy Langone, 32 Nassau Ave., Wilmington

Tickets must be picked up within 90 days. Winners must show ID.





The Shawsheen Tech girls basketball team has qualified for the Division 4 North Sectional tournament already. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

### Shawsheen Tech Wrestling and Girls Hoop

## Rams finish fifth at Division 1 sectionals

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There was good news and bad news for the Shawsheen Tech wrestling team on Saturday afternoon at Methuen High School in the Division 1 North Sectional Tournament. The good news for the Rams was that they had a minimum of six wrestlers qualify for this weekend's Division 1 state tournament due to their finishing in the top four of their weight class. They also have four more wrestlers who are first or second alternates for the tournament.

The further good news was that the Rams finished in fifth place against some very stiff competition. The bad news, however, for the Rams was that their 150 points and fifth place finish left them seven points shy of the fourth place overall finish they needed in order to qualify for the state team tournament.

The Rams finished behind Lowell (274.5), Chelmsford (202), Methuen (184) and St. John's Prep (157). Already not a fan of the new system of determining spots in the team tournament, Shawsheen coach Mark Donovan is even less impressed with the system after Saturday's meet.

"It was tough to come so close and not get in," Donovan said. "Especially since we had already beaten the team that finished second and the team that finished fourth earlier this season. The thing is, this (sectional) meet does not have anything to do with what kind of dual meet team you are, but it determines if you get into the team tournament."

Donovan's disappointment aside, he was pleased to see his team perform so well in the sectionals. A fifth place finish is very good against the level of competition they were facing, and the Rams also had two wrestlers, Derek Sorenson at 125 pounds and Wilmington's Steve McIsaac at 215 pounds finish in second place in their weight classes.

McIsaac lost to Chris Goljan from St. John's of Shrewsbury in the finals, but his victory in the semi-finals was one to remember, as he eliminated the top seeded wrestler in his weight class, Steve Saba from Methuen. Sorenson, meanwhile lost in the finals to Christian McCarthy of Lowell.

"Sorenson is now 1-1 against McCarthy on the year and they will probably face each other again the states," Donovan said. "McIsaac had never faced the kid from St. John's before and coming off the win over Saba in the semis I think he was a little out of it."

The Rams also got third place finishes from Brandon Spinosa (103), Alex Najjar (171) and Tewksbury's Ryan Ahearn

(112). Each of these wrestlers lost in the semi-finals and then had to bounce back with strong performances in the consolation round to secure their third place finish.

"They showed a lot of toughness doing that. It's tough to come back from that," Donovan said. "Ahearn had a real tough loss in the semis so for him to come back the way he did was huge for us."

The Rams other state qualifier was Andrew Companschi of Wilmington, who grabbed a fourth place finish at 189 pounds.

The Rams also have four first alternates for the state tournament due to their fifth place finishes in their weight class, including Derek Harding of Tewksbury at 119 pounds, Mat Companschi of Wilmington at 145, Calvin McMillan of Tewksbury at 160 and Chris Baum at heavyweight.

"Having the possibility of as many as 10 kids qualifying for the state tournament is very good," Donovan said. "Hopefully a couple of the alternates will get in and that would be great. I thought we could have done a little better as a team, but considering the level of competition and the intensity of the tournament I think we did pretty well."

### Girls basketball

The Shawsheen girls basketball team entered last week still alive for at least a share of the Commonwealth Athletic Conference Large School championship. A 51-44 loss at Greater Lawrence last Tuesday night dashed those hopes, but the Lady Rams were undeterred in their quest to improve their record and their seeding in the upcoming state tournament, as they bounced back nicely on Friday night with a 63-36 rout of Whittier Tech in Haverhill.

Shawsheen got a complete team effort on Friday night, with three players in double figures. Senior Melanie Strazzere led the way with 13 points, followed by Caitlyn Gallagher's 12 and Selina Houghton's 11. Samantha St. George also added eight points, as Shawsheen coach Dick Barris saw his team provide the kind of balanced offensive attack that has marked his team's success this season.

"It was good to see that and it was good to see some of our younger players playing all right as well," Barris said.

One of the younger players that Barris was referring to is freshman Taylor Marshall of Tewksbury. Marshall had four assists in the victory, coming off the Greater Lawrence game where she had nailed a three pointer. Marshall, along with fellow freshman Kristina Lee, are just two of a core of young

players that give Barris great hope for the future.

"Taylor is another freshman who we decided to move up because it wasn't doing here any good to play at the JV level where they were just dominating everybody," Barris said. "I like having the freshmen with us. You know with young players you are going to get good games and bad, and they are going to make some mistakes, but they are very talented and that is why we want them with the varsity."

The entire Shawsheen team actually made some mistakes in the early going of the Whittier game, but they quickly regrouped to dominate for most of the game. The score stood tied at just 8-8 at the end of one quarter before Shawsheen's offense began to click and they scored 22 second quarter points to take a 30-15 halftime lead.

"We did not play very well in the first quarter and I think that was at least partially due to Whittier playing very aggressively," Barris said. "We missed a lot of layups and we gave in to their pressure. In the second quarter we did a much better job of making the easy baskets and Melanie got to the line where she went 6-for-6."

After the tough loss to Greater Lawrence just a few nights earlier in a game where the Lady Rams could not counter the man to man defense of the Reggies, and could not escape an early hole, Barris was impressed with the way his team did not lose confidence against Whittier despite the rough start.

"We played well and were up by 15 at the half and by 25 at the end of three quarters," Barris said. "By that time it was clear that we had responded very well. It was good to see them bounce back not only from the last game, but from the first quarter of this game. They really started to play aggressively themselves to match Whittier."

While disappointed that his team will not win the league title, Barris has now switched his focus to getting his team as prepared as possible for the post season, including a possible berth in the State Vocational Tournament. Non-league games against North Reading and Ursuline should give Shawsheen a taste of the competition they will face in the Division 4 North Tournament.

"Right now we have to get our act together against man to man defense and hopefully we can handle North Reading's better than we did last time," Barris said. "We want to be playing our best at the end of the season when the tournament starts."

## Rams Boys Hoop team takes title

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When the season began, the prevailing wisdom held that the Commonwealth Athletic Conference Upper Division championship would come down to a battle between two time defending champion Lynn Tech and Minuteman Regional. Perhaps Chelsea could make a run at the title as well.

It only made sense. After all Lynn Tech had gone undefeated (15-0) in the league last season, and despite losing star player Tony Gallo to graduation, they returned plenty of talent to the fold. And Minuteman had been to the state finals just two years ago, and had a fine winning tradition.

Nobody gave newcomer Shawsheen Tech much of a chance. Sure the Rams had gone undefeated last season in winning the CAC Lower Division title, but the move up to the Upper Division would certainly be to daunting a task.

Well, that as they say is why they play the games. With a pair of wins last week and another one on Monday night, the Shawsheen Tech Rams have clinched at least a tie for the CAC Upper Division title. Lynn Tech and Minuteman were set to play each other Tuesday night. A Lynn Tech win would mean the Rams would share the title with the Tigers. A Minuteman victory would mean the Rams had accomplished what seemed impossible just a

few months ago, as they would have the title all to themselves.

For Shawsheen coach Bob Hodnett, who has now coached two league champions in his three years of coaching, it does not get much better than watching his team defy the odds and finish atop the CAC.

"It's a great accomplishment with the teams in this league like Lynn Tech and Minuteman," Hodnett said. "It's just a huge thing for the program and for the school."

The Rams (14-4 (11-3 CAC Large)) assured themselves of at least a share of the title with a 79-48 rout of league rival Whittier Tech in a makeup game on Monday night in Haverhill. It was the Rams second consecutive game against Whittier, having downed them 74-61 last Friday night at the Cook Street Pavilion.

It would be hard to tell from the final score, but the Rams actually did not get off to a great start against Whittier on Monday, trailing 18-13 at the end of the first quarter. From that point on, however, it was all Rams, as they took a 33-26 lead at the half and then tuned the intensity up even more in the second half, pulling away for the blowout victory.

"We turned up the pressure defense and started to force a lot of turnovers," Hodnett said. "After that slow start the kids just really played well. We have been shooting the ball well lately and we did that again for

most of the game."

The Rams were led once again by the local senior trio of Tewksbury's Tommy Joyce (22 points), Wilmington's Joe Gore (16 points) and Tewksbury's Joe Killion (8 points).

The same group led the Rams in Friday's win over Whittier, with Joyce having his best game of the season, scoring 28 points, including six three pointers, while Killion had 23 points and Gore added 16. It was not only their scoring that led the Rams, as Joyce also had 10 assists and five rebounds, while Gore had 11 rebounds and six assists and Killion had five rebounds and four assists.

One of the most satisfying parts of winning the league title for Hodnett was seeing the hard work of these seniors pay off. Hodnett knows the commitment that these players have made not just this season, but for their entire careers at Shawsheen.

"They did a great job in these past few games and all season," Hodnett said. "They have had great careers. Gore has been with the varsity since his freshman year and he and Tommy have been starting since they were sophomores. Killion saw a lot of playing time as a sophomore. They took some lumps along the way, but they kept improving and they stepped it up this year as seniors."

## Hockey program also has reason to celebrate

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The Shawsheen Tech hockey team completed what has been a season long mission last Saturday night, clinching the Commonwealth Athletic Conference title with come from behind a 3-1 win over CAC rival Northeast/Malden, improving their league record on the season to 9-0, while Northeast finished their league slate with a record of 7-2-1, with both losses coming to Shawsheen. The Rams improved to 13-3 overall on the season. They have one league game left on the schedule on Thursday night against Rockport.

Rams coach Chuck Baker, in his second year as head coach was thrilled to see his team accomplish the first of many goals they have set for themselves this season.

"Looking at it personally it is a huge accomplishment, but it is certainly not about me," Baker said. "We have a great bunch of kids who have bought into our program and the importance of having to set goals. They also know that we have to take care of business on Thursday night to finish undefeated in the league."

While a team certainly cannot plan on going undefeated in league play, Baker would certainly be proud of his team if they could accomplish that as well. While the CAC is a little bit down this season in terms of competition, Baker feels that his teams deserves credit for not letting that distract them from playing at their best.

"Regardless of what the competition is you still have to go out and play the games and of course you worry about the kids playing down to the level of competition and you can get nipped by a team once during the year," Baker said. "We feel like we have done the best job we can and the kids have bought into it."

With Northeast there was certainly no danger of playing down to the competition, as not only is Northeast a very good team, they are probably the Rams biggest rival in hockey. The Rams fell behind 1-0 at the end of one period, but dominated the rest of the game, out shooting their opponents by a total of 33-17.

"We came out a little big sluggish, not at the level you would want to be at for a championship game," Baker said. "I tore into them a little at the end

of the first period, and we came out much better starting in the second period and for the rest of the game."

Sophomore forward Jesse Rossetti of Wilmington got the Rams off to a flying start in the second period, scoring just 11 seconds into the frame to tie the game. Tewksbury's Mike DeRosa assisted on the goal as did Matt Grace.

The teams entered the third period tied at 1-1 before Ryan Arensbach scored twice in span of three minutes to give them the margin of victory. After allowing the first period goal, goalie Josh Sanchez was perfect stopping 16 of 17 shots overall.

Along with winning the CAC, and awaiting a bid to the Division 3 North State Tournament, the Rams also appear to have secured a spot in the State Vocational Tournament which will begin next Friday afternoon at the Valley Forum in Malden where they may once again face Northeast, but their more likely opponent would appear to be Diman Vocational of Fall River.

## Where's the Action?

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
<b>Tewksbury High Sports</b>				
Thurs	Feb 14	JV/V Girls Hoop	at Bishop Fenwick	5/6:30 PM
Fri	Feb 15	JV Boys Hockey	at Masconomet	3:50 PM
Fri	Feb 15	B/G Track	Class B State Meet RLC	5:30 PM
Sat	Feb 16	V Boys Hockey	at Malden Catholic	1:00 PM
Mon	Feb 18	V Boys Hockey	at Central Catholic	3:00 PM
Tues	Feb 19	V Boys Hoop	at Melrose	7:00 PM
Wed	Feb 20	JV/V Girls Hoop	vs Triton	6/7:30 PM
<b>Wilmington High Sports</b>				
Thurs	Feb 14	JV Boys Hockey	at Chelmsford	4:00 PM
Fri	Feb 15	V Wrestling	D3 States	TBA
Fri	Feb 15	Fr/JV/V Boys Hoop	vs Shawsheen	4/5:30/7 PM
Sat	Feb 16	V Wrestling	D3 States	TBA
Sat	Feb 16	B/G Track	D3 States - RLC	TBA
Sat	Feb 20	JV Boys Hockey	at Lynnfield	12:00 PM
Sat	Feb 20	V Girls Hockey	vs Billerica	4:40 PM
Mon	Feb 18	V Boys Hockey	at Dracut	3:00 PM
Tues	Feb 19	JV/V Girls Hoop	at Salem	5:30/7PM
Wed	Feb 20	JV Boys Hockey	vs Masconomet	2:30 PM
Wed	Feb 20	V Girls Hockey	at Burlington	3:30 PM
Wed	Feb 20	JV/V Boys Hoop	vs Winthrop	5:30/7PM
Wed	Feb 20	V Boys Hockey	at North Reading	6:00 PM
<b>Shawsheen Tech Sports</b>				
Thurs	Feb 14	JV/V Girls Hoop	vs North Reading	3:30/5 PM
Thurs	Feb 14	V Boys Hockey	vs Rockport	8:00 PM
Fri	Feb 15	Fr/JV/V Boys Hoop	at Wilmington	4/5:30/7PM



# Penn St. and Indiana battle back-and-forth on the court

## Big 10 - Boys Grade 3

**Penn St. 18, Indiana 10**  
The Nittany Lions of Penn St. had very balanced scoring with 3 players scoring 4 points and 3 others scoring 2 points. Matthew Mangano, Alex Fischer, and Russell Abbott were the 4-point scoring culprits. Justin Ekstrom and Alec Bonaccorsi played shut down defense in the second half to keep this in the win column for Penn St. Indiana, on the other hand, was a one-man scoring wreck.

Robbie DuCharme had all 10 points for Indiana. Brandon Belmonte and Scott Burke were monsters on the boards. Indiana only had 6 guys and played as hard if they had an entire team of 11 players.

**Minnesota 11, Wisconsin 0**  
Quintin DiStefano led Minnesota with 6 points. The other Q on the team, Quinn Reynolds, also added in 5 points. Anthony Luti and Patrick Dullea were simply outstanding. Even though Wisconsin didn't score any points, they played very hard and just ran into some serious bad luck.

**Iowa 15, Ohio St. 14**  
Having the game of his life, to this point, was Darin McEacheron with 11 points. Daniel Judkins and Connor Griffin each added in 2 points. David Bell and Liam Rooney played outstanding defense in the final seconds to prevent a win for Ohio St. Ohio St. was led by some balanced scoring with 3 players each scoring 4 points. Brendan McInerney, Bryan Domek, and Austin Domek were the people in the 4-point club. James Carroll added in the other 2-point basket.

Harley Monteiro and Patrick Flaherty played exceptionally well. Their stats don't show up in the box score, but that is okay based on how they played. They did what we like to call, the little things.

**Purdue 26, Michigan 13**  
Doing it for Purdue was Cameron Walsh with 12 points. Stephen, not Scott, Bonish also added in 6 points. Ryan Aldrich also had 4 points of his own. Matthew DeAmbrose and Alexander Fanikos played exceptionally well and were monsters on the boards. Scott Stenson led the Wolverines of Michigan with 6 points. Helping out young Scott was Jack Sweeney with 3 points.

Bobby Gostanian and Connor Robinson each had a basket. Jason Donahue and Zachary Grassia showed some very fancy passing to help set up easy shots for Scott and Jack.

**Big East - Boys Grades 4&5**  
**Syracuse 21, West Virginia 18**

Syracuse makes it 5-0 in its last five games with a win this week. Kurtis O'Byrne led the attack with 7 points. Joe Castellano, Patrick Dunfee, and Kevin Goncalves all chipped in with 4 points, while Zachary Thomas rounded out the scoring with 2 points. Michael Gake and Joshua Gentner both played very hard for the Orange. Ryan Donnell, Nicholas Raffi, and Evan Raffi scored all the points for West Virginia as they each threw in 6. Zach Rourke and Joseph Tassone both had great games.

**UConn 38, Pittsburgh 19**  
Justin Kannally was unstoppable for the Huskies as he had a game high 18 points. Lucas Garrity was very close as he also had an astounding 17 points. Matthew Leiskau and Conor Bailey combined for the final 3 points scoring 2 and 1 points respectively. Justin Leger led all Pittsburgh scorers with 9 points. Patrick Keough was next in line with 4 and Nicholas Poli, Alex Frye, and Daniel Bell each had 2 points on the day. Daniel Smalley and Nathan Vince both made many great defensive plays.

**St. John's 38, Providence 18**  
St. John's was led by the duo of Devin Field and Liam Reynolds each with 16 points. Reynolds also had two treys on the day. Antonio Larifarello chipped in with 6 more, while Thomas Simmons and Joseph O'Donoghue both had 4 points. Robert Fullerton led the offense for Providence with 11 points. Alex Popa and Sean Walsh completed the scoring with 4 and 3 points respectively. Kevin Richardson, Matthew Sutton, and Jack Stanford all showed great hustle on both ends of the court.

**Georgetown 21, Marquette 7**  
Dylan Masiello threw in 7 for

Georgetown and Ryan Walsh had another 6. Justin Wright chipped in with 4, while Patrick McFall and Ryan Fischer all had a basket apiece. Brian Neal led Marquette with 4 points. Peter Amato threw in 2 more and Jake Kelly had the final point. Matthew Coleman, Jack Gillis, Jake Girardi, and Kevin LaLiberte all had great games for their teams.

**Rutgers 29, Louisville 5**  
Zachary Abbot led the way for Rutgers with 16 points. Mike Danciewicz was next in line with 5 points and Billy Falter, Preston Collette, Steve McInnis, and Nicholas Trevisone all had a basket in the victory. Louisville put up a great fight, but fell just short as Jacob Tague and Curtis Jean-Francois both had 2 points. Adam Gilman put up the final point in the game. Colin Scanlon and Mason Ouellette showed a lot of hustle and determination the entire game.

**Cincinnati 28, Notre Dame 6**  
Ronald Judkins continues to be an offensive weapon as he again led the way for Cincinnati with 17 points. Bradley Priem threw in another 6 and Kyle Callahan chipped in with 3 points of his own. Evan Sperlinga rounded out the scoring with a deuce. Zachary Leighton and Harry Middleton provided the Irish offense with 4 and 2 points respectively.

Andrew Hanlon, David Krueger, and John Pasquariello showed a lot of heart and determination on both ends of the floor. Thomas Prior and Joseph Visalli were the defensive standouts for Cincinnati.

**DePaul 15, Villanova 11**  
Nick Menzel and Zachary Toto both had 4 points in the DePaul victory. Scott Newton chipped in with another 3 points and Steven Godfrey and Alex Menzel rounded out the scoring with a basket apiece. Alex Hiltz and Shawn Reardon both played great for DePaul. For Villanova, Ryan Horgan was the game's leading scorer as he had 8 points on the day. Danny Valerio scored the final 3 points. Adam Surette, Cameron Yuen, and Matthew Caruso made many key plays on both ends of the court for Villanova.

**Conference USA - Boys Grades 6&7**  
**Central Florida 35, Marshall 31**

Once again, the impossible force of Tom Letellier did it. He had a WRBL season high of 35 points. Having the lone other basket for Central Florida was John Keough. Kyle Reppucci and Brian Nazzalo played outstanding defense to keep this game in the win column. Leading the way for Marshall was Daniel Pendenza with 20 points while Brian and Michael Colton combined for the other 11 points. Devon Dembowsky and Thomas Rossetti were outstanding, to put it simply.

**SMU 34, Tulsa 33**  
Doing it for SMU was Sam Borsetti with a team high of 10 points. Christopher Palmerino and Zachary Shepard also each added in 7 points. Tim Penney and Michael Pelosi had shut down defense in the final minutes to pull out the victory for SMU.

Having his best game all year for Tulsa, Anthony Castellano led the way with 13 points. Keenan Beraldi also added in 10 points. Jacob Dalke and Jake MacIsaac did all they could in the final seconds to try and pull this out for Tulsa.

**Southern Miss 35, UTEP 24**  
Southern Miss won this game with some balanced scoring. Leading the way was Gino Lena with 10 points. Michael Marinella added in 8 while Marcus Cole had 6 points. The Alatalo brothers, Sam and Erik, were monsters on the boards. Having a great game for UTEP was Sam Silva with 13 points while Ryan Kennedy had 7 points. Alex Ball and Jared Lloyd were monsters the entire game and both tried to motivate their team to pull out the victory.

On a side note, Silva scored all of his points after being poked in the eye. Silva never came out once he was hit in the eye.

**E. Carolina 41, Memphis 23**  
Leading the way yet again for E. Carolina was Tyler Vibert with a team and game high of 27 points. Patrick Barry also had a season high of 11 points. Connor Grealish and Stephen Valenti, the only two not to score, made up for it with their hustle on both ends of the floor. Because of this, they both receive Tommy Points. Doing it

all for Memphis was Mark Connolly with 17 points. The other 6 points came from Alex Neville. Kevin Dunfee and Michael Mann did all in their power to keep this game close. Both were also monsters on both ends of the floor.

**Tulane 40, Rice 25**  
Brendan Ahern led the way for Tulane with 12 points. Nicholas Dirienzo poured in 8 points. Five others for Tulane also added in 4 points. For the first time all season, everyone on a team scored. This was a very high-octane offense on display. Michael Callahan had a team high of 13 points for Rice. Eli Jennings also added in 8. Thomas Feindel and Dylan Champey had their moments where momentum might have swung into Rice's favor and maybe pull out a victory.

**Houston 44, UAB 32**  
Leading the way once again for Houston was Brian Priem with a game high of 21 points. Matthew Chiricosta added in 8 while Sean Berube added in 7 points. Tyler Peters and Zack Patz played outstanding defense. Ryan Cocca had a team high of 15 points for UAB while J.T. Lynch added in 8 points. Shamus Gibbons also added in 6 points. Vinny Poli and William Simmons showed outstanding effort. The difference in the game was Houston's ability to have success on the press.

**NBA - Boys Grades 8-10**  
**Cavaliers 48, Grizzlies 48**  
Not even overtime could break this stalemate as the Cavaliers and the Grizzlies ended in an exciting 48-48 tie. The Cavaliers continue to have three players in double digits as Ian Sullivan threw in 18, Dave Mello added another 15, and Mike Gracia chipped in with 13 more. Dylan Sullivan had the final basket for the Cavs. Derek O'Dea had the game high total of 19 points for the Grizzlies. Bryan Fennelly was next in line with another 14 and Adam Kline contributed 7 more. Ryan Walsh, Justin Rhodes, and Nick Whalen rounded out the scoring with 4, 2, and 2 points respectively.

**Heat 37, Lakers 22**  
Andrew Wells was the game's leading scorer as he led the Heat with 17 points. Michael Wilkinson added 10 more and Christopher Crupi added another 8. Sean Keane rounded out the scoring with a deuce. The Laker offense was a bit more spread out as Zachary Copp led the way with 6 points. Matthew Costello, Ben Levine, and Denis Gingras added 4 points apiece for the Lakers. Jonathan Fabiano and Adam Paquette each contributed a basket in the loss. Matt McGrath and Nicholas D'Amelio both had great games for their respective teams.

**Bulls 52, Wizards 48**  
The Bulls continue their domination on the league as three players finished in double digits. The trio of Matt McKenna, Chris Frissore, and Jon Biondo, had 15, 13, and 12 points respectively. EJ Boggia threw in 6 points of his own, while Derek Duggan had 4 more. Michael Mullens rounded out the scoring as he threw in the final deuce. The Wizards put up a great fight, but fell just short in the end. Philip Lentini was the day's leading scorer as he had 23 points on the day, including four three-pointers. Jacob Briere added another 14 points of his own. Mark Wadland chipped in with 6 more points and Andrew LaRosa added 3 more. Bryan Feindel threw in the final basket.

**Knicks 65, Nets 41**  
Tim McCarthy matched Lentini's total as he led the Knicks to victory. McCarthy also threw in 4 three pointers to finish the day with 23 points. Will Prince also had a great day, as he was next in line with 22 points. Mike Amentola added 10 more, while Dan McCarthy and Jonathan Stratouly each threw in 4 points in the victory. Robbie Fisher led the way for the Nets with 20 points. Zach Anderson added another 8 and Derek Queen chipped in with 7 more. Omair Shaikh had the final 3 points for the Nets.

**Nuggets 60, Hornets 26**  
Sean Hanley's 18 points set the stage for the Nuggets in this week's match up. Michael Arria added 15 points of his own and Bob Cameron had 9 more. Tony Haddad finished with 7 points and Mike Donahue had 6. Nick Cirame had the final try to complete the scoring attack. Mike Kelly led the way for the

Hornets with 9 points. John Rufo was next in line with 6 points and Jimmy Bonish finished with 5. Chris D'Agostino and Kevin Murphy combined for the final points scoring 4 and 2 points respectively.

**Atlantic 10 - Girls Grades 3&4**

**Xavier 18, St. Louis 3**  
For St. Louis, Samantha Grasso scored one basket from the line, and Sarah Berube had two points. Katelyn Otis, Shannon Sullivan, and Meghan Rodenhiser had tremendous passing up and down the court. Courtney Murphy, Lily Keating, and Eva Nesline played great defense. For Xavier, Marisa Butler had two points, along with Cecilia Chase. Casey McFall and Rachel White each had four points, while Taylor Bosco lead the team with six points. Sophie Consorti and Nicole Barry grabbed most of the rebounds, and lead the defense.

**LaSalle 16, Richmond 10**  
For LaSalle, Courtney MacDonald led the team with six points. Isabella Cigna and Francesca Barone each had four, while Julia Gaffey had two. Both Katie and Samantha Colombo played great defense, and Samantha Lodato held the team with her quick defense. For Richmond, Sarah Klucznik scored four points, while Molly O'Shea, Shannon Horgan, and Morgan Walsh each scored two. Allison Daniliuk, Katelyn Stevens, Shannon Mota, and Michelle Doucette all had a lot of quick passing and rebounds.

**St. Joe's 20, Rhode Island 14**  
For Rhode Island, Teresa Gracia and Alexa Papastathis each had four points. Allie Woodland, Melissa McNamara, and Julia Gake each had two. Olivia Kelly played incredible defense. For St. Joe's, Christina Woods had an incredible game once again with eighteen points. Siobhan Scanlon had two points, and Morgan DiBenedetto played great defense. Also, Chloe LeBlanc, Mary Lesperance, and Nicole Rosania grabbed most of the rebounds and passed greatly up the court.

**George Washington 20, Duquesne 16**  
For G.W., Samantha DeMonica scored eight points, while Tori Bruce and Lindsay Donahue each scored two. Olivia Hill and Erica Pudvelis each scored four points. Sara Bray and Emily Loud played tough defense as well. For Duquesne, Kristen Brown scored eight points, while Maeva and Bridget Sullivan each had four. Erin Miasserian, Elizabeth Freitas, and Heather Hayes all played incredible defense, keeping the score very close until the end.

**Fordham 14, Temple 8**  
For Fordham, Katelyn Fisher scored six points, while Montana Howlett scored four. Also, Carolyn Nasiff and Hailey Liston each scored two. Holly Doyle and Kristina Galvin put up a great fight on defense, keeping their lead. For Temple, Marci Zaccardi and Mackenzie Casey scored four points. Katie Rohleder, Amanda Corrigan, and Christina Wright played tremendous defense.

**Dayton 13, Charlotte 10**  
For Charlotte, Christina Natola, Katelyn Musto, and Samantha Rideout each scored two points, while Ashley DeLucia scored four. Sydney Brennan and Helena Walker each showed great effort on defense. For Dayton, Kaila Bavin scored seven points, while Samantha MacInnis scored two, and Kellie Souza scored four. Stephanie Nicoli and Siobhan Reidy lead the

team to victory with their incredible rebounding.

**Atlantic Coast - Girls Grades 5&6**

**Clemson 27, Georgia Tech 19**  
Playing with no substitutions, Clemson rode the shooting ability of Rachael Cormier (19 points) to a win over Georgia Tech Saturday. Shreya Pai shot well and scored 6 points, and Danielle McNally added another 2 points. Michaela Rodenhiser's defense was pivotal in combating the strong offense of Georgia Tech.

Kimberly Donoghue led Georgia Tech's offense with 15 points. Victoria Lee and Samantha DePasquale scored 2 points each in solid all around performances. Taylor Perella did a nice job of running the offense from her point guard position. Brianna Perrino, Emma Ceres and Lianna Natola contributed with great defensive intensity throughout the game.

**Virginia Tech 26, North Carolina 17**

Virginia Tech's Sara Cokash dropped in 14 points to lead all scorers in a win over North Carolina Saturday. Giving Sara offensive support were Caroline Albanese with 8 points, Veronica Reidy with 2 points and Jacqueline Cote with 2 points. Lauren Natale and Kristina Nicoli's defensive mind-set was a real asset to the team as they continually slowed North Carolina's offense.

Sara Ennis played a fine offensive game for North Carolina and ended with a team high 10 points. Lilly Day scored 3 points, Olivia Walsh scored 2 points and Amelia Arbeely had 2 points as North Carolina kept the game close in the first half. Heather Trites and Lauren DePasquale used a smothering defense to prevent their opponents from scoring. Jillian Williams distributed the ball well on offense from her point guard position.

**Wake Forest 18, Maryland 2**  
Strong defense along with point production from seven players allowed Wake Forest to prevail over a scrappy Maryland team Saturday. Hannah Reynolds led all scorers with 10 points and Hannah Griffin chipped in another 6 points. Michaela Ouellette and Julie Welch had 4 points each, and Caitlin Baranow, Nicole Potcner and Rael Gallucci all scored a basket. Casey MacDonald and Molly Fanikos played well on the defensive end of the floor.

Their shots were not dropping but Maryland's defense remained strong and constantly challenged Wake Forest to play their best. Elizabeth Harvey, Mikayla McCool and Victoria Ferreira all had great drives to the basket resulting in free throws. Caroline Johnston scored a basket for Maryland and defended well on the perimeter. Katrina Saragosa and Samantha MacInnis worked hard defending Maryland's basket throughout the game.

**Duke 33, Virginia 19**  
Tied at halftime, Duke's Cassandra Grasso (17 points) and Sara Rakers (12 points) stepped it up a notch in the second half and helped Duke outscore Virginia to win Saturday. Marina Otis and Erin Berube contributed to the Duke run with a basket apiece. Nicole McInerney and Stephanie Sullivan were key components in a strong defensive unit.

Six players put points on the board for Virginia in a well-rounded offensive attack. Leading the team was Presley Silva with 8 points followed by

Jessica Hogan with 4 points, Brianna Tavares, Danielle Gianattasio and Lexi Tamburello each scored a basket, and Kourtney Bolis added 1 point on a free throw attempt. Elizabeth Dullea and Heather Benson turned in great defensive efforts.

**Miami 49, Florida St. 30**  
Lauren Amazeen (20 points) and Hannah Brown (16 points) combined for 36 points as Miami took control of the game and won over Florida St. Saturday. Amanda Richards also had a hot hand and scored 8 points. Kristen Connors had 5 points and Melissa Furlong had 2 points to round out Miami's scoring. Meghan Sullivan and Kendra Scott's defense on their Florida St. counterparts was exceptional.

Lauren Borsetti and Caroline Newhouse scored 8 points each to lead Florida St. Other players contributing to the point total were Shannon Moulton with 6 points, Erica Lloyd with 4 points and Caitlin Parrott with 2 points. Danielle Reynolds had 2 points along with many offensive rebounds. Emma Gaudreau and Rachel Cummings passed well on offense and played solid defense.

**WNBA - Girls Grades 7-10**  
**Mercury 30, Storm 29**

Taylor Hanley continues to lead the Mercury to victory, as her 22 points was too much for the Storm to handle. Kelly Valletta added another 4, while Jana Cosman-Cyrus and Melissa O'Donoghue each had a basket in the win. Casey Murray led the way for the Storm with 8 points. Jenn Garrard and Laura Magee each chipped in with 6 more apiece and Megan Priem added another 5. Jordan Malatesta rounded out the scoring with 4 points of her own. Ashley DeFuria and Jacqueline Kennedy both had great games for their teams.

**Liberty 31, Comets 16**  
The Liberty's offense was spread out as Alexandra Gemellaro led the way with 6 points. Lisa Hitchins was next in line with 5, while Danielle Parisi, Bianca Carlson, Kelsey Mangan, and Ashley Paquette all contributed 4 points in the win. Janelle Celeste and Janelle Heenan had the final 4 points for the Liberty. The Comets were led by Tara Van Vranken who had 6 points on the day. Heather Briere and Kayla Falter both chipped in with 4 points of their own. Cassandra Lee had the final 2 points for the Comets. Brittany Cavanaugh and Kelly Griffin both played great defense and hustle for their teams.

**Sparks 33, Mystics 24**  
Kelly Duffy led the way for the Sparks with 14 points. Sara Pudvelis and Nicole Kakkeas were next in line with 6 points apiece. Colleen Brothers, Erin Duffy, and Joleen Styles all had a basket in the game. Katie Johnston scored the final point in the victory. Leading the way for the Mystics was Lauren Sullivan with 6 points. Janelle Engrem, Nikkia Marcin, and Kathleen Kurowski were next in line as they each chipped in with 4 points. Julia Carter, Emily Colosimo, and Elizabeth Hill all had a solid 2 points in the game. Both teams put up a great effort.

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before us and keep the record up to seven in a row, we had to come together as a team."

"And for the team to come together, several things had to happen."

"I probably screwed it up," said McCune. "I was very weary at the beginning of the year with Matt Bibeau getting into foul trouble, so I thought the zone (defense) was the way to go to keep him in the game more because we didn't have much depth up front. I think going with the zone, it kept us away from our aggressiveness. After that Burlington loss, I think you saw the teamwork (come together). We saw Craig (Melillo) and Mike (Manganelli) step up and

you saw Evan (Borseti) step up and make some big shots. The difference was we found those guys and we gave them good opportunities."

"I think Zack (Fahey) has matured as a player and I think he has realized when he can go and when he can not go. And I thought his defense was as big for us tonight as was his offense. I thought he played a tremendous defensive game. I think we just got back to playing us."

Everything worked for Wilmington on Tuesday - everything that works for winning teams. It was the hustle. It was the all out effort. It was the tough defense and shutting down guys like Sean McManus

and Steven Boudreau. It was the defensive steals. It was the drives in the lane. It was the kick-out passes, the heads up passes, and transitional passes, and the alley-oop passes. It was the defensive charges they took, the high fives they gave each other - it was all of it. The Wildcats possessed all of the winning ingredients Tuesday night to make them yes, a league championship team, and yes a state championship contender. Wilmington will participate in the Division 3 North sectional tournament in the upcoming weeks.

"That's a (North Andover) team that we need to play and we want to play," said McCune.

"Like (North Andover coach) Mike (McVeigh) says, we make them better and they make us better. That's a (North Andover) team that people are talking will contend for the Division 2 (North sectional) title, and we just beat them by 17 points and actually it was a 25-point game the whole way so I don't think we'll be listening to them talk about (playing) Woburn anymore."

So now what people should be talking about is if and only if, Wilmington plays like it did on Tuesday night, do they have what it takes to keep their overall play on that next level.

"It's all a credit to the kids," said McCune. "We haven't changed one bit since we came here 19 years ago. We do what we think is right. We try to put the kids in the best situation we can to win. But in the end, it's up to the kids to execute, do

what we say and just trust us. Tonight was just an example of that. We let them go - I mean how many good plays and good decisions did you see out there tonight?"

Borseti agreed.

"This (game) was exciting," he said. "Not too many teams can do it seven years in a row. Coming up as freshman all we thought about was all of the teams were in front of us and winning, so what were we going to do when we it was our turn. We came to play tonight. It wasn't the rah-rah type game but we showed tonight on the floor how we can play."

And did that the team reach that next level?

"Oh yeah we did," said Borseti. "I don't even know how to explain how we played tonight. We didn't make a lot of mistakes. We had guys sacrificing themselves, we had people

making great plays and it was exciting to watch."

Indeed it was. Like no other game, like no other season - this was the all-time end all impressive game. It seemed like McCune knew it was coming all along.

"(Coach McCune) said that if we played to our potential and played as a team, that we could (be a state contender)," said Borseti about that pre-season speech. "But he said it was all about the effort. He said 'we're not going to be able to do this with one or two people, we need everyone'. He told us we had to stay together throughout the whole season, no matter what happened. We did that and we came out flying tonight."

They surely did. They came out flying looking like a Division 3 state championship contender.

## 'Cats win league title again

FROM PAGE SP1W

-get used to it and that's what keeps you going."

"Those five seniors (Matt Bibeau, Evan Borseti, Chris Derian, Zack Fahey and Kyle Moon) are going to walk (into the gymnasium) and see 2008 (up on the championship flag) and that's something that will never come down. That's a tremendous tribute to those five kids and to this team."

The teams exchanged two baskets each in the first 2:31, and thereafter it was all Wilmington. The Wildcats went on a 14-0 run to go up 18-4 with 1:44 to go in the first quarter. At that time it was all Matt Bibeau and all Zack Fahey, who did all of the scoring. Fahey led the way with 31 points and played his best all-around game ever. Bibeau was very impressive, finishing with 20 points, not to mention 10 rebounds.

"What a night for Zack Fahey to play his best game of the season," said McCune. "I don't know what he had for points but he played like he was the league's MVP. It was all five of the starters and I'm so proud of them. It was the guys off the bench. Michael Murphy played tremendous - it's just great and

winning never does get old. We did everything right tonight, going inside to Bibeau, giving Zack space - everything right tonight."

Wilmington led 22-8 after the first quarter and opened it up even further in the second quarter after Mike Manganelli (9 points, 6 assists) - who played a phenomenal two-way game - drained a trey and followed with a free throw making it an 18-point lead just 7:12 into the contest. The lead pretty much stayed the same with 1:35 to go before closing the half out on an 8-0 run behind a Evan Borseti trey, and two drives by Fahey, including a gorgeous buzzer beating pushing the lead to 42-19 at the break.

"Never in my wildest dreams did I think we could beat that team by that many (points)," said McCune. "We played together as a team tonight and our defense was great. We couldn't allow (Steven) Boudreau and (Sean) McManus open threes and for the most part we did a great job with that. We tried to do what we normally do with the pressure and still focus on those two guys and not giving them open looks."

McManus, arguably one of the best players in the league, didn't score in the first half and ended with 10 points. Boudreau also didn't score in the entire first half and ended with 12.

North Andover did get its offense going a little bit but Wilmington countered every-time in the very offensive third quarter. The Wildcats led by 22 with 2:45 to go before going on an 8-2 run led by two Murphy drives, lay-up from Fahey and a 12-foot jumper by Melillo making it 63-35.

Wilmington had a 75-49 lead with 3:33 to go before North Andover scored the game's final ten points making the score seem closer than it really was.

On Friday night, Wilmington made it a perfect season on the road defeating Masconomet, 75-67, to finish 8-0 away from home. Matt Bibeau had a monster night finishing with 21 points, 11 rebounds and a career-high six block shots. Craig Melillo also turned in a huge performance with 20 points, while fellow starters Zack Fahey (19) and Mike Manganelli (12) combined for 31 points. Those four starters had all but three of the team's points.



Wilmington High School junior guard Mike Manganelli tries to dribble around a North Andover defender during Tuesday night's victory at home which gave the Wildcats their seventh straight league title. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

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## Wakefield High School Sophomores teach adults to vote

By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

The tables were turned for several voters in Wakefield as 24 sophomores from Wakefield Memorial High School found out they could teach adults a thing or two about the voting process. It was all part of a program developed by Town Clerk Mary Kay Galvin, with the help of high school social studies teachers Rick McKenzie and Joe Casey.

Sophomore Kelsey Cronin of Wakefield worked at Precinct 5 (The West Side Social Club) and observed, "Some people didn't want to tell me whether they were voting Republican or Democrat."

Sophomore Michael Hubbard of Wakefield worked at Precinct 2 (the Crystal Community Club) added, "Some people didn't know what ballot they wanted. One old guy asked me which ballot Obama was on."

In fairness to the people voting at Precincts three, four five and six in Wakefield, it was easy to be confused as they had to deal with eight ballots that day. The state was running a special primary election to decide the Democratic Candidate for the House of Representatives from the 32nd Middlesex District, left vacant when Michael Festa was named as Secretary of Elder Affairs in the Governor Deval Patrick administration.

Patrick Holleran had the hardest time during the long day. He had some people trying to place their completed ballots in the box for the wrong precinct. He also had to turn one person down because he did not have any identification.

However, the vote for the longest day went to Kareena Kahn and her friend Saudi Pelagrin, who are METCO students. They both had to travel in from the Dorchester section of Boston.

Kahn said, "I had to get up at 5:45 a.m. so we could pick up Saudi and my mother could drive us up here for the start of the day."

All of the students worked the full day at the polls- 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., according to

Galvin. They were paid \$6.50 per hour and received a free lunch and dinner. They all received on the job training.

"I just want to know one thing," Kahn said, "Can we do it again?"

The other three that were interviewed agreed with the question.

Holleran said, "I know a lot more about the process. You get to know how many people do not know what they are doing."

Kahn added, "It's a good way to learn what it will be like when you get to vote."

Cronin also liked the program. However, it has shown her that politics is not something she wants to be "totally involved in."

The project was first started during last April's Municipal Elections. At that time McKenzie had approached Galvin with the idea.

Galvin had just received word from Secretary of State John Galvin's (no relation) office that special legislation sponsored by the League of Women Voters had been enacted into law allowing people under age 18 to be poll workers. However, she has not heard of any other communities that have used this program.

The pilot program was successful. This year, when Casey came to Galvin's office for some copies of Absentee Ballots to show his United States History Classes, she approached him with the idea



FROM LEFT ARE SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER JOSEPH CASEY; Kelsey Cronin, Wakefield; Kareena Kahn, Dorchester; Principal Elinor Freedman; Pat Holleran, Wakefield; and Mike Hubbard, Wakefield. These four and 20 other Wakefield Memorial High School sophomores helped out at the polls during the Super Tuesday Massachusetts Primary Election. Others are expected to participate in future elections in Wakefield.

and Casey grabbed for it.

The two are already making plans to have more sophomores involved in the other four elections this year. The Special Election for the State Representatives Seat will be held on March 4 (set by the legislature), followed by the Municipal Elections in April (set by Town Charter) and the Presidential Primary in September and the Election in November.

Both Casey and Galvin lauded High School Principal Elinor Freedman for giving her full support to the project. Casey also noted that all of the faculty and staff at the high school helped to make it a success by allowing the kids to take the day away from their classes and treating this as a field trip.

Galvin said, "Every warden expressed their gratitude during the day and at the end of the day."

In a letter to Freedman Galvin wrote, "All seven wardens praised these students, and expressed much gratitude for the quality of their work, and for their enthusiasm on this special job."

During her interview Galvin added, "I have an older group of poll workers who are excellent, but dealing with the public during the primary can be grueling and the hours are grueling. Having an influx of younger students was excellent."

As it was throughout the state, this primary election, even without the special election thrown in, was a busy one at the polls. According to Galvin, 54 percent of registered voters in Wakefield turned out to cast a ballot that day.

Based on the numbers during the last presidential election, four years ago, when 82 percent came out to vote, Galvin is really gearing up for this coming November. She is hoping to be able to have three students on hand at each polling location.

Galvin usually has eight to ten poll workers at each precinct. However, because of age some can only work part-time and the students allowed each of the poll workers to have some breaks.

For their part, the students voiced their opinion that they really were able to contribute to the process during the day. They noted that with their younger eyes they were able to find names in the voluminous voting books a lot faster than their older counterparts.

Precinct Six Warden Kristin Henshaw wrote in a letter to Casey, "Thanks for sending your U. S. History I students on Super Tuesday, February 5, 2008. The five sophomores who were assigned to Precinct 6 for the primary election were absolutely vital to the day's



## Wakefield High School

### Primary Participant List - February 5, 2008

Saudi Pelagrin  
Kareena Khan  
Bryanna Pacheco  
Jackie Yip  
Mike Hubbard  
Chris Wiltshire  
Jessica Manchester  
Jessica Doherty  
Patrick Stickney  
Amanda Alexander  
Shannon Cronin  
Andrew Bruno  
Derek Tryder

Meghan Carroll  
Kelsey Cronin  
Greg Alterio  
Sarah Perry  
Chris Annetti  
Samantha Oates  
Jacquelyn Cardillo  
Joseph (Charlie) Doyle  
Pat Holleran  
Briana Moccia  
Christina Flynn  
Cameron Mitchell

operations.

"Processing voters in a primary election, with four available ballots for the unenrolled voters to choose from, can be complicated. Your students handled any and all complications with admirable competence. First time voters (and there were many) were put at ease by these bright and energetic

young people."

Casey added, that the students' parents were even commenting on the success of the program. Some did not know their young ones could be so excited by the political process.

He added, "It has always

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# Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

## 'Fools Gold'



MATTHEW MCCONAUGHEY STARS as Ben "Finn" Finnegan and KATE HUDSON stars as Tess Finnegan in Warner Bros. Pictures' romantic comedy adventure "Fool's Gold." (Vince Valitutti/Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc.)

"FOOL'S GOLD"  
GRADE: \*

Fool's Gold is a wasted trip, a cinematic 'snipe' hunt for a good reason to see this unfunny romantic comedy.

It is a cookie-cutter, formulaic feature that offers pretty scenery, pretty stars and not much else.

The movie tries to be part adventure, part screwball comedy but succeeds at neither.

The plot, a hunt for long-lost Spanish treasure is simplistic. The characters are cardboard and stereotypical.

If this were a season of 'The Amazing Race', the two main stars would have been sent home during week one.

The only people who will get any enjoyment out of this feature are those who love to look at Matthew McConaughey shirtless, which he is for a good part of the film, or would like to see Kate Hudson in a bathing suit.

Originality seems to have been buried along with the treasure everyone is seeking.

The film opens with McConaughey's Finn and Hudson's Tess getting

divorced, but you know by the fade-out they will be together again.

Everything about the movie feels familiar.

Also along for the ride are Donald Sutherland who plays a British billionaire with one of the phoniest English accents heard on screen in a decade.

Fool's Gold is no treasure.

"UNTRACEABLE"  
GRADE: \*

'Untraceable'? This movie will leave you wishing it was. The movie has no idea

what it wants to be, so why should the audience be able to figure it out?

For about 20 minutes or so it's a mystery. Who is doing these awful things? Then it decides to tell us—and all the while you're hoping that it's a setup for a surprise, but no, we really do find out who this fiend incarnate is. So for the next 40 minutes it turns into "why is he doing this?" A few bits of connect-the-dots, a Morse Code clue and super FBI agent Jennifer Marsh (Diane Lane - why does she end up in these flicks?) with a Power Point presentation clears that up. Where does this leave us? Why with 30 minutes of absurd plot devices, a pointless setup that goes nowhere and a predictable climax that was virtually telegraphed in the first reel. (Memo to viewers: If something like a gas-powered garden tiller is arbitrarily introduced and focused on in reel one, expect to see it again during the climax.)

What does this leave us with? An unpleasant exercise in torture-porn lite—a Hostel picture for folks who wouldn't be caught dead watching Hostel. The only thing is it's worse, because it isn't even honest about it, trying all the while to pass itself off as something deeper. It starts out



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with an unknown sadist somewhat improbably starving a kitten to death with one of those sticky rattaps for the delight of some presumably very patient Web-surfing sickos via streaming video.

Then our sadist turns his attention to a human being—with the trick being that more hits generated by his untraceable Web site causes the torture death to occur faster. This, of course, is the film's purported heavy message—that our own

voyeurism implicates us in the crime.

What's sad is that Hollywood tries to sell this slop, which rips off too many other movies to count, to viewers Sadder still is the simple fact that Diane Lane ever got within a hundred miles of this movie.

"RAMBO"  
GRADE: \*\*\*

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## Movies from S-2

Sylvester Stallone and his two most popular characters, John Rambo and Rocky Balboa, may have become a joke to moviegoers in recent years ("He's making another one of those movies?"), but give Stallone credit - if you are a fan of those storylines, the most recent additions meet, if not exceed, your expectations.

It's been 20 years since Rambo's last movie. Like his Rocky character, Rambo suffered from his success. The first film, 1982's First Blood, was an earnest and surprisingly sensitive exploration of a Vietnam vet's struggles to find peace after returning home from the war (he doesn't). And for two more sequels, he's a one-man army, galloping through fireballs, killing countless bad guys. Since he's a Cold-War warrior, those bad guys are mostly Soviets. By the end of the third movie, he's in Afghanistan, fighting alongside the Afghan rebels - who knows, he and Osama bin Laden may have even shared a cave.

The world's gotten a lot more gray (as has Stallone) since Rambo's black-and-white heyday. But all the online speculation that Rambo might be coming back to kick some al-Qaeda butt was wrong. Twenty years later, we find the reclusive, sixtysomething Rambo has retired to Thailand, working as a boat operator, chugging up and down a remote jungle river.

But first, viewers are treated to an introductory series of gruesome newsreel footage - images of broken and burned corpses, starving children and mutilated women - as a narrator speaks of the horrors in Burma (now Myanmar) and "the world's longest-running civil war", which has lasted 60 years. Stallone is setting up the villains as some of the worst creatures to walk the earth, so that audience members may welcome the visual payoff that is about to come.

Make no mistake: Rambo is an ultraviolent, hyper-realistic movie. That may not

seem like a news flash: Rambo movies are notorious for the massive slaughter they depict. But those previous films seem like PG-rated Saturday matinee fare compared to what you see here. Think of Saving Private Ryan, only with women and children. Stallone uses that same jittery, grimy handheld style. But where Steven Spielberg focused more on the chaos of battle, Sly emphasizes the carnage. In the several significant fire-fights that occur during the movie, you witness, up close and in detail, just about every form of devastation visited upon the human body. Limbs fly, skin is seared, guts are splayed. The most frequent visual effect is parts or all of someone turning into what looks like bloody cake frosting.

Women are raped, children are butchered. It's stunningly, unrelentingly violent, and the only rationale seems to be rooted in those opening archival images, as if to say: When you hear or read about genocide, this is what it means.

Rambo is pulled into the melee when, against his better judgment, a beautiful blonde, Sarah (Julie Benz), persuades him to transport her troupe of missionaries up the river and into Burma, where they will deliver food and medicine to needy villagers. "You're not going to change anything," he tells her. "Trying to save a life isn't wasting your life," she retorts. He gazes thoughtfully into her soul and relents.

These naive do-gooders are, of course, instantly swept up by the evil army, led by the sadistic commander who calmly smokes while watching his men make a sport out of slaughter. When the missionaries' church hires a band of mercenaries to attempt a rescue, Rambo agrees to take them up the river.

You don't need to be a Rambo fan, or have ever seen a Rambo movie, to know how this is going to work out: all the bad guys and many of the good guys dead and Rambo standing majestically over the smoldering battlefield. Among the sights and sounds - Rambo rips a would-be rapist's throat out with his

## About the Towns HEARTS IN THE RIGHT PLACES

by Phyllis Nissen

### Perfect 'Garden' weather (Tewksbury)

"Earlier this year, while reading a Chinese newspaper, John Teng learned of a location in Tewksbury that was ripe for a new restaurant," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"Teng had previously owned the Yen-King Restaurant in Waltham, Brookline and Stoughton. Excited about coming to this area, Teng opened Top Garden last May at 1921 Main Street in Tewksbury (next to Burger King).

"Few of his diners may be aware that Teng is something of a celebrity. He wrote the 'John Teng Cookbook' in 1978. Over the years, Teng has appeared on television and has used his celebrity status to benefit others. Teng has developed friendships with people like Dave Maynard of WBZ-TV, who graciously accepted Teng's cookbooks to benefit local charities.

"The John Teng Cookbook focuses on Mandarin-Szechuan style cuisine and Teng never cooks with monosodium glutamate; commonly referred to as 'MSG.' "Teng's approach to Chinese cooking is significantly different from other chefs.

"What other chefs often fail to emphasize is that cooking reflects basic understanding of food and life," Teng said. "It involves much more than measurements and ingredients. Personal care and creativity are more important than technique. Cooking represents our response to our basic need for food. I believe that our cooking should begin with simplicity. Good food expresses our understanding of family life, society and the natural environment.

"Known throughout the Boston area for many years, Teng's cooking has drawn rave reviews from local newspapers.

"I always try to welcome my customers and discover their particular tastes. Friendliness and trust are essential to my business and, I believe, to all cooking experiences. To me, cooking is very personal and a basic means for helping and pleasing people," said Teng....

"While Top Garden, Teng's latest endeavor, is relatively new to Tewksbury, its chef - David Liu, who lives nearby - has worked for Teng for 22 years. Liu's brother, Paul, answers the phone and makes deliveries for the restaurant, too...."

### 'Highly specialized' (Reading)

"Town Meeting members voted unanimously to approve the purchase of a replacement ladder truck for

the town's fire department, at a price tag of \$850,000," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The request for funds came under Article 10 on the Subsequent Town Meeting Warrant. Reading Fire Chief Greg Burns gave a presentation on the request.

"The town purchased the current ladder truck in 1991. A ladder truck is categorized as a highly specialized vehicle by firefighters, intended to provide equipment, tools and access for firefighters for a wide range of emergency scenes, including fires, motor vehicle accidents, and structural collapses.

"The aerial ladder on the truck allows firefighters to rescue trapped victims, ventilate burning buildings, provide emergency scene lighting and protect property from damage.

"The age and condition of the town's current ladder truck has caused the severity and frequency of repairs to increase significantly. Because of the nature of these repairs, the ladder truck has been out of service for several days at a time, including a two-week period recently.

"Whenever our ladder truck is out of service, we attempt to borrow a ladder truck from another community and at times we are successful in our efforts," said Chief Burns. "However, far too often, we are not able to obtain a ladder truck on loan because very few communities have a spare."

"When the town is unable to borrow a ladder truck, Wakefield will provide one if Reading has a fire response that requires it. That happened on February 2, 2007, when a two-alarm structure fire struck at 15 Avon Street while the town's ladder truck was out of service.

"Chief Burns examined the needs of the community today, and recommended to Town Meeting Members that

the town purchase a 100' heavy duty aerial ladder truck with a pre-piped waterway. The truck is rated to support 500 pounds at the end of the ladder, which provides a stronger support for the firefighters.

"The request for \$850,000 was approved on a unanimous vote by Town Meeting."

### True Blue (North Reading)

"The Selectmen's meeting room in town hall was filled with family, friends and dark blue uniforms as Kevin Brennan was promoted to Lieutenant in the North Reading Police Department and Michael Murphy was elevated to Sergeant," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

"Both men were sworn in to their new positions by Town Clerk Barbara Stats as Chief Ed Nolan and their families looked on.

"Brennan was first appointed to the department in 1993 and was promoted to sergeant in 1999. He has also served as the department's domestic violence officer. He has a degree in sociology from Framingham State College and his master's in Criminal Justice from Anna Maria College.

"Murphy was appointed to

the department in 1994 and became a detective in 1994. He has a B.S. in law enforcement from Western New England College and a master's in Criminal Justice Administration, also from Western New England College.

"Both men were appointed to their new positions by Town Administrator Greg Balukonis.

"Balukonis interviewed five candidates for each position and said the process demonstrated to him the 'deeply professional' nature of the department.

"Chief Nolan welcomed both men aboard, saying that in order for him to do his job, he relies on a strong command staff.

"The audience also included former Chief Hank Purnell. His retirement in April and last month's retirement by Lt. Edward Hayes created the vacancies that made the recent promotions possible...."

"About the Towns" covers recent events in the 10-town Middlesex East area. Because Middlesex East deadlines are early, please check the front sections of this paper for up-to-date information about your city or town. We also welcome original material - please send it to Phyllis Nissen, "About the Towns," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867 or to [schooltowns@comcast.net](mailto:schooltowns@comcast.net).

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# Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

By PAUL FEELY

## SPORTS SHORTS

**\*MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION:** Who are the four players to have led the Boston Celtics in scoring, rebounds, and assists in a single season?

Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

**\*THE WAKEFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT**, in conjunction with the Middlesex Sheriff's Office and the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation, is hosting a Quickball program for local youths in grades three through eight and sign-ups are now underway.

Quickball is a fast-paced indoor form of baseball designed to keep kids interested and active while emphasizing teamwork and sportsmanship.

The sport, for both boys and girls, is slightly different from baseball. It's adapted to be played indoors, so a hard rubber ball and wiffle bat replace their more potentially-damaging counterparts. An underhand fast toss replaces the traditional baseball pitch.

Quickball is also more fast-paced than baseball, as each batter gets one pitch and the goal is to get as many players up to the plate and in scoring position as possible within a period of 90 seconds. There's also versions of

the game where batters can aim for targets placed at various locations and distances, and in some cases, opposing team members can work to defend those targets to prevent scoring.

The program was started in Atlanta three years ago, and from just that one program, there's already 64 teams in the Atlanta area that play year-round. Wakefield is one of 25 locations around Massachusetts that's offering this program.

Local youths in grades three through eight can now sign-up for the upcoming Quickball program, which will take place from Tuesday, February 12 through Tuesday, April 22.

The program will meet on Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. at the Northeast Regional Metropolitan Vocational School, located at 100 Hemlock Road in Wakefield.

The first 90 minutes of the evening, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., will be for youths in grade three through grade five.

The second 90 minutes of the evening, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., will be for youths in grade six through grade eight.

Pre-registration is required to take part in this program.

You can register by contacting Wakefield Police Officer Richard Cass at 781-246-6321.

•On January 25 Reading's Peewee C hockey team braved the high seas and journeyed over to scenic Martha's Vineyard to participate in the Ryan Mone Memorial Tournament Weekend.

The three-day weekend was a competition featuring Squirt and Peewee level teams from the Boston area. Coached by **JAY KILBAN AND HIS ASSISTANTS JOE APPEYARD AND GARDNER BRADLEE**, the Peewee C's came away with a perfect 4-0 record defeating Martha's Vineyard 5-0, Coastal Stars (Cohasset and Marshfield) 8-0, and Norwood 9-0.

The Rockets' spectacular weekend ended with a victorious championship final game over the Coastal Stars 8-0.

Goalie **BRIAN APPEYARD** had an impressive 4-game shutout while forwards **TIMMY KILBAN, RYAN O'REGAN, AND CHRIS PACITO** all scored spectacular goals.

Forwards **QUILLEN BRADLEE, NICK DICARA, AND DOUG SORABELLA** each contributed with a hat trick apiece in three different games. Stellar defensemen

**RAY COZZI, ADAM O'BRIEN, KEVIN SCHMIDT, AND LINUS TEUTSCH** allowed only 9 shots on net the entire tournament weekend. The Reading Rockets and their families found the biggest challenge to be navigating high winds and blizzard-like conditions while on the ferry and then during the drive home.

•Need some help with this week's question? One of the players is Larry Bird.

**\*WINCHESTER'S DOUG MILLER** received some playing time recently in Harvard's almost-upset at Pennsylvania, scoring five points, two rebounds and a block in the Crimson's 73-69 loss.

•The Eastern Football League, a minor league football organization, is seeking business/football-minded individuals to start-up/form a team in the Woburn area, to begin play in 2008.

Potential team owners should call Peter Vorias, Director of EFL expansion at 207-229-9950

The league consists of full contact football for players age 18 and up. Games begin in July for AAA teams, and in August for A teams. AAA teams have a maximum roster of 60 players, while A teams have 30 players.

The Eastern Football League was founded in 1961 and is considered one of the

oldest semi-pro football league in the nation. In its past 47 years of operation it has seen numerous teams from 5 New England states, Maine, N. H., N.Y., Mass., Rhode Island and Conn. participate in its gains.

It has gained (13) thirteen national titles, (7) USFA titles, (3) MLFN titles and (2) AFA titles. A number of players have made it to the pro ranks going back to the playing days of Butch Songin of the Boston Patriots and Tom Dempsey of the Philadelphia Eagles.

There have been many champions over the years, starting with the 1961 Morrissey Club, 1963 Brockton Pros, 1966 Nashua N.H. Colts, 1978 Hyde Park Cowboys, 1988 Michell Club Cobras, 1990 Randolph Oilers, 2000 Marlboro Shamrocks and present day 2006 Middleboro Cobras. Twenty one individuals have been inducted into the A.F.A. football hall of fame, and twenty have been inducted into the U.S.F.A. football hall of fame.

League records show that only (12) players have rushed for 1000 yards or more in a 10 game season, the latest being Daron

Brown of the Clinton Irish Blizzard (1069 yards in 9 games) in 2004 and Frank Bianchini of the Marlboro Shamrocks (1210 yards in 10 games) in 1999. There are many other records set in the league, longest field goal - 52 yards; most kicking points - 92; longest pass interception return -103 yards, longest fumble return -99 yards; longest kickoff return - 102 yards; and longest consecutive game win streak -54 Marlboro Shamrocks.

The League has a tradition of it's own, like no other.

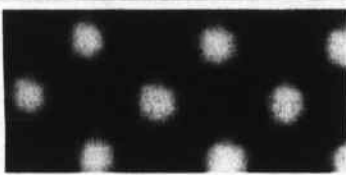
**\*ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The four players are John Havlicek (1969-1970), Dave Cowens (1977-1978), Bird (1982-1983 and 1985-1986), and Paul Pierce (2005-2006).

**\*DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200.

## Sophomores help with voting from S-1

been my goal to get the kids involved. I give the kids credit for working in the process."

He also noted that in Wakefield, the public officials of the town have always been very support-



ive of the students and helped them in many ways.

"This was an excellent opportunity for the kids to meet the candidates and the people involved in the political process."

## Facts you should know about

# Power outages

Do you know how to keep your food supply safe during a power outage caused by storms or other events? The U.S. Department of Agriculture has the answers to help you keep your food safe.

• Keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible to maintain the cold temperatures. Each time the door is opened, a significant amount of cold air is lost.

• Never taste a food to determine its safety, as this can result in illness. Instead, look at the food's appearance for any abnormalities in overall appearance, texture, or color. Smelling the

food item can also help.

• The refrigerator will keep the food cold safely for about four hours if unopened. A full freezer will hold the temperature for approximately 48 hours, while a half-full freezer will maintain safe temperatures for about 24 hours, providing the door remains closed.

• Food can safely be re-frozen if it still contains ice crystals or is at 40-degrees or less in temperature.

• If possible, obtain dry or block ice to keep your refrigerator and freezer as cold as possible if the power is going to be out for an extended period of time. Fifty pounds of dry ice should hold an 18-cubic foot full freezer for two days.

• If the power has been out for several days, check the temperature of food in the freezer with a food thermometer. If the food still contains ice crystals or is at 40-degrees or less in tempera-

ture, then it's safe. Be sure to check each food item separately.

• Discard refrigerated perishables like meat, poultry, fish, soft cheese, milk, eggs, leftovers and deli items after four hours without power.

"Power outages can occur at any time of year and it often takes a few hours to several days to restore electricity in residential areas," said USDA Under Secretary for Food Safety Dr. Richard Raymond.

"Foods stored in freezers and refrigerators can become unsafe in just a few hours if bacteria begin to grow and if these foods are consumed, people can become very sick."

In fact, the Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention states that as many as 5,000 people die each year due to food-borne illness - that's nearly 14 people every day.

In addition, for one of every five Americans, food-borne illnesses are more dangerous than to the average person due to weakened immune systems, young age, the elderly and pregnant women.

So when the lights go out and you're left in the dark for more than a few ours, take precautions to avoid food-borne illness.

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## Tips to keep the immune system strong

Maintaining proper health and protecting against infection requires a strong and healthy immune system. Keeping the immune system working at its peak level is something that most of us should consider long before the start of cold and flu season.

"It is believed that our immune system is easily affected by a number of factors, such as diet, stress levels and environment - even the medications we take," explained Suzy Cohen, R.Ph., noted pharmacist and author of "The 24-Hour Pharmacist."

Cohen offers the following tips on how to maintain your immune system year-round:

- **Get moving.** Studies have found that moderate exercise provides a boost in the production of immune cells and circulates them at a faster rate than during inactive times.
- **Manage stress.** High levels of stress, even in the short-term, can be toxic to the immune system. Some easy ways to manage stress include exercise, yoga, meditation or other deep breathing exercises. Reading, listening to calming music and taking time to enjoy your hobbies are also recommended.
- **Laughter is the best medicine.** Laughter releases endorphins, a feel-good chemical that many believe boosts immunity. Laughter also reduces stress hormones, which are known to have a negative effect on the immune system.
- **Eat your fruits and veggies.** Fruits and vegetables are diet staples because they are full of antioxidants that are vital to good immunity, such as B vitamins, vitamin C and phytonutrients. Foods like spinach, garlic, broccoli, carrots, blueberries and oranges are among the best sources of free-radical-fighting antioxidants.



## Health & Beauty

### What to do when seniors get the flu

Early detection of influenza is especially important for those at high risk, including residents of nursing homes. In fact, approximately 90 percent of the nearly 36,000 people who die from influenza each year in the United States are elderly.

Nursing homes and long-term care facilities are idea breeding grounds for flu infections, where residents are living in close proximity to each other.

An ongoing three-year study, which got underway in 2006 in Australia, has already revealed some key findings. Where facilities used rapid flu tests to actively monitor outbreaks and then appropriately prescribed antivirals versus those facilities that employed routine self-reporting without the use of rapid diagnostic testing for the flu, the attack rates of residents for those using

a flu test reported a reduction from 42 percent to 21 percent.

In addition, the time between initial flu outbreak and the intervention of antivirals was reduced by nearly fifty percent and the duration of the outbreaks within the nursing homes setting was reduced from an average of 22 days to 11.5 days.

Since seniors are at a higher risk of getting the flu and dying from complications from the flu, the use of rapid diagnostic testing methods can be very helpful, as evidenced by this ongoing study.

Dominic Dwyer, M.D., said, "The QuickVue test for influenza performed by nursing home nursing staff on-site is especially sensitive and highly specific. This method of testing allows for the rapid recognition of a potential outbreak and timely intervention and treatment can be administered before a serious, life-threatening situation unfolds.

Once influenza has been confirmed, a physician can prescribe antiviral drugs that can reduce the severity and duration of the illness, while also preventing the spread of the illness to others, therefore making the likelihood of a deadly outbreak lesser.

One test that has gained widespread popularity is the QuickVue Influenza test, which is conducted right inside your doctor's office. The test can detect the presence of influenza virus in adults and children alike.

For more information on the influenza or to find a physician in your area who offers QuickVue Influenza testing, visit [www.flutest.com](http://www.flutest.com)

## New Breast Cancer treatment guidelines

Recommend test to personalize treatment

When faced with the diagnosis of breast cancer, many women will undergo chemotherapy following surgery to reduce the chance of cancer returning. For those women, the dilemma of facing chemotherapy or dealing with the possibility that their cancer could return is overwhelming, even with a doctor's help.

Many women believe that chemotherapy is a required element of treatment. But research shows that only four out of every 100 women with Stage 1 breast cancer actually benefit from chemotherapy.

Now, the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), the world's leading professional organization representing physicians who treat cancer patients, has issued new Clinical Practice Guidelines that for the first time include molecular diagnostics in treatment planning to help make these difficult decisions easier. ASCO's updated guidelines, which outline appropriate cancer treatment methods, recommend a breast cancer test called Oncotype DX to calculate the likelihood that cancer could return and the benefit of using chemotherapy for a large portion of early-stage breast cancer patients. By using this test, women and their doctors can make a more informed decision about whether the po-

tential benefit of chemotherapy outweighs the side effects.

"ASCO's new guidelines include only markers based on proven clinical decision-making impact and high levels of clinical validation," said Dr. Gabriel N. Hortobagyi, FACP, professor and chairman, Department of Breast Medical Oncology, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. "While exciting research and multiple prognostic tools are available today, Oncotype DX is the only genomic test with sufficient clinical evidence to support its use in clinical practice."

Oncotype DX looks at 21 genes in a woman's tumor tissue to calculate a Recurrence Score, an individualized number between 0 and 100. The lower the score, the lower the chances are that a woman's breast cancer will come back, and the less likely that she will benefit from chemotherapy.

"I felt confident in Oncotype DX because the result was based on 21 genes from my tumor," said Penny Smith, a breast cancer patient who decided against chemotherapy after receiving a low Recurrence Score. "I felt that I was getting good information and it was going to give me back control over fighting my cancer."

Oncotype DX is used for patients with estrogen receptor-positive, node-negative, early-stage breast cancer - approximately half of new diagnosed cases. It is the only test with extensive clinical evidence demonstrating the ability to identify patients who will benefit from chemotherapy.

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WE CAN (Ways to Enhance Children's Activity and Nutrition) is a public education program designed by the National Institute of Health for parents of children between the ages of eight and thirteen.

The National Institute of Health offered these tips for healthy shopping:

- **Make a plan and stick with it.** With a meal plan and a shopping list, you can get most food items in one trip, and the fewer trips, the more you save.
- **Comparison shop.** Use the unit price and nutrition facts label to compare similar foods. Try store brands to save even more.
- **Buy in-season fruits and vegetables.** In-season and locally-grown produce costs less since there's less shipping involved and the foods are fresher. Farmer's Markets can be a great place to get some fresh, locally-grown foods, while also supporting local growers.
- **Don't shop hungry.** If you go grocery shopping before you've eaten, you're more apt to make poor shopping choices and you're more likely to purchase items that you won't eat later on. Go shopping with a meal plan and stick to the list.

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## APPALACHIAN TRAIL IN NORTH READING

"Trek: A journey on the Appalachian Trail" will be shown on Thursday, February 28 at 7pm at the Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park St., No. Reading.

The event is part of the town-wide Reading program, North Reading Reads 2008.

Trek is produced by Cirque Productions, and is the story of four young people, and the people they meet. It took five months out of their life and has been critically acclaimed.

They go from Georgia to Maine. The film was shot and produced by the hikers themselves.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information call 1-978-664-4942.

## BEETHOVEN SOCIETY MEETS SUNDAY

The February meeting of the Beethoven Society will be held on Sunday, February 17 at 3 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 70 West Emerson St., Melrose.

The public is cordially invited to all Beethoven meetings. No admission is charged but con-

tributions are accepted.

This is a great way to chase the winter blues away and meet some new friends.

## NORTH SHORE PLAYERS TRYOUTS

Auditions for the North Shore Players production of "Moon Over Buffalo" will be held on Wednesday, November 13 from 7:30 to 9:00 pm at the Hogan Regional Center in Danvers.

## EATING DISORDER RECOVERY GROUP

Cambridge Eating Disorder Center (CEDC), a comprehensive specialized center, offers a free drop-in-group to anyone struggling with an eating disorder or supporting a loved one with an eating disorder.

The group meets the last Saturday of every month from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at 3 Bow Street, Cambridge. The next meeting is on February 23.

For directions visit [www.eatingdisordercenter.org](http://www.eatingdisordercenter.org) or call 1-888-900-CEDC.

## DEALERS WANTED FOR INDOOR FLEA MARKET

The United Methodist Women of Melrose are looking for dealers for their indoor Flea

Market on Saturday, April 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Flea Market will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 645 Main Street, Melrose.

Coffee and donuts will be available. Free admission. Please call the church office at 781-662-7060 to rent a table.

## THEATRE HOSTS OPEN HOUSE

The Young Co. at Stoneham Theatre hosts a spring 2008 Open House on Saturday, March 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

It will be a fun filled day for teachers, parents and kids and will offer samples of its creative youth program.

There will be opportunities to meet the Stoneham Theatre staff, attend sample workshops and watch performances by the Resident Youth Ensemble and Kids4Kids, the traveling Shakespeare troupe.

The theatre will also be offering the last chance to sign up for its spring workshops (running March - May) and the first chance to learn about the young co. summer season and sign up for the summer program.

Stoneham Theatre is located

at 395 Main Street, Stoneham Square.

For more information contact Caitlin Lowans at 781-279-7885, x 104 or email [education@stonehamtheatre.org](mailto:education@stonehamtheatre.org).

## FIREARM SAFETY COURSE IN NORTH READING

The North Reading Rifle Club, 242 Central Street, will host a firearm safety course on Wednesday, March 12 and 19 at 7 p.m. You must attend both dates. Certified instructors will explain firearm operation, safe handling, storage, transportation and laws.

Each participant will shoot a rifle, revolver and semi-automatic hand gun. A certificate required by Mass. law, when applying for a Class A or B license to carry, or firearms identification card will be issued to everyone completing the course.

A license is required to purchase, possess or carry a firearm. To register or for more information call Robert Rose at 978-664-2703 after 6 p.m.

## COFFEEHOUSE PRESENTS GROUP IN MARCH

The Ivy Chord Coffeehouse presents "Old School Freight Train" on Saturday, March 1 at 8 p.m.

"Old School Freight Train" seamlessly blends jazz, Celtic and Latin rhythms into its style, and does so with such ease. The Ivy Chord Coffeehouse is handicap accessible and is located at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Reading, 239 Woburn Street (corner of Summer and Woburn Streets.)

Ticket price is \$18 general admission, \$15 seniors and students. For more information or

call 781-944-0494 or 781-229-9394 and day from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

## SPRING MARKETPLACE SEEKS VENDORS

The Woodville Elementary PTO is seeking quality crafters for the 4th annual Wakefield Spring Marketplace. The event will take place on Saturday, April 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Americal Civic Center.

The show is also open to vendors of fine specialty and boutique items that might not necessarily be handmade by the exhibitor. All items must be available for cash and carry.

The Wakefield Spring Marketplace has been voted best Spring Show by many participating vendors. The school takes great pride in this major fundraiser and looks forward to an even more successful event this year.

The booth fee is \$55 and an optional door prize may be donated. All proceeds will benefit the PTO's cultural arts programs, field trips and community support when local families are in need.

If interested in participating please visit [www.wakefieldmarketplace.com](http://www.wakefieldmarketplace.com); or contact Christine Mader at [cgmader@rcn.com](mailto:cgmader@rcn.com) or call 781-224-0248. Application deadline is March 10.

## SENIOR NET HAS WORKSHOPS

Senior Net invites everyone (members and non-members) to attend 2 hour low fee workshops to sharpen skills, learn new things, and have fun and explore the world of technology.

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March 12 at 1 p.m.; Computer Solitaire Thursday March 13 at 1 p.m.; Works task launcher workshop March 14 at 1 p.m.; Greeting card workshop Monday, March 24 at 1 p.m.; Burn CDs workshop Thursday March 27 at 9 a.m.

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## ANTIQUE APPRAISAL IN STONEHAM

The Stoneham Senior Center will hold a benefit antique appraisal on Sunday, March 9 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Stoneham Senior Center, 136 Elm Street, Stoneham.

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## QUANNAPOWITT PLAYERS HOLD AUDITIONS

The Quannapowitt Players proudly announce open auditions for "True West" by Sam Shepard, directed by Nancy Curran Willis. "True West" is a dark comedy from the Pulitzer Prize winning playwright, that delves into the complicated relationship of 2 brothers.

Austin, a young Stanford graduate with a promising career as a screenwriter is paid an unexpected visit by his alcoholic brother Lee, while working on a script in their vacationing mother's home.

Auditions will be held at the Quannapowitt Playhouse, 55 Hopkins Street, Reading on Sunday, February 17 from 1 - 6 p.m. and Monday, February 18 from 7 - 10 p.m.

Audition monologues will be from the script and available for review a half hour before auditions begin.



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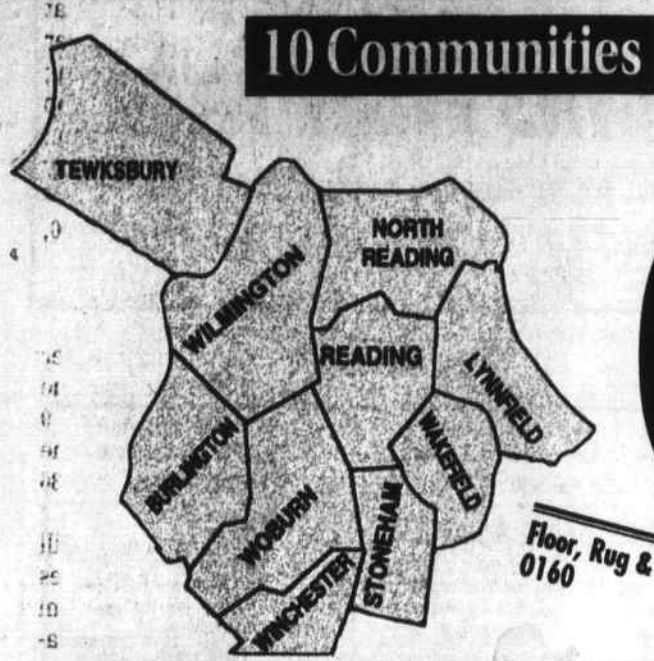
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## YARD SALES







#### Transfers from S-10

##### -READING-

79 HANCOCK STREET was sold to Kristina and John Patalano by Karen Hahn and Karen Flaherty for \$325,000.  
7 LOUANIS DRIVE was sold to Susan and Dennis Ferguson by Thomas and Carol Fiocco for \$608,000.

##### -STONEHAM-

81 FRANKLIN STREET was sold to Joseph Mercer and Nicole Whitney by Juanita and Dorothy Paoletta for \$230,000.  
148 MARBLE STREET #107 was sold to Stephanie Rivera by Omas Douglas for \$263,700.

49 WRIGHT STREET was sold to Brittny Strauch and Patrick Joyce by Raymond and Anne Kiley for \$265,000.

##### -TEWKSBURY-

35 ANTHONY ROAD was sold to Deutsche Bank Natl T Co by Linda Pessolano-Conlon and Deutsche Bank Natl T Co for \$247,111.  
200 CAPITOL AVENUE was sold to Group 1 Realty Inc by 200 Capital Avenue RT and Rogers Street Prop LLC for \$1,850,000.

119 HELVETIA STREET was sold to Kerrie Lundgren and Timothy Yost by 119 Helvetia Street RT and Robert Morrissey for \$259,900.  
468 MAIN STREET was sold to Group 1 Realty Inc by Auto Holdings One LLC and Rogers Street Prop LLC for \$4,685,013.

94 PINNACLE STREET was sold to Pinnacle Dev LLC by James Johnson for \$75,000.

##### -WAKEFIELD-

7 BALLISTER STREET #410 was sold to Bryan and Brent Last by Wakefield Xing LLC for \$200,000.  
921 MAIN STREET #31 was sold to David Dubia and Marolyn Moriarty by Patricia Norris for \$321,000.  
11 MIDDLESEX STREET #1 was sold to Gaetano Schiavone by 1 Middlesex Court LLC for \$319,900.

##### -WILMINGTON-

33 ADAMS STREET was sold to Timothy Cleary by Andrew Godfried and Tara Glynn for \$273,000.  
278 SHAWSEEN AVENUE was sold to Heritage Pines LLC by Francis Crispo and Georgette Frisch for \$930,000.

##### -WINCHESTER-

1 ARTHUR STREET was sold to Chester Harding and Stacey Princi by David Johnson for \$580,000.  
121 HIGHLAND AVENUE was sold to Maura and Patrick Galvin by Bernard Mathey-Prevot and Nancy Andrews for \$860,000.  
19 SUNSET ROAD was sold to Jean-Luc and Marie Duchemin by Next Hill Dev LLC for \$1,035,000.  
102 WILDWOOD STREET was sold Nelson and Fimi Kachadurian by Alta Lynch for \$340,000.

##### -WOBURN-

9 EDITH AVENUE was sold to FNMA by Juracy Hicks, Juracy and Countrywide Home Loans for \$355,211.  
12 LAWRENCE STREET #A was sold to Jessica and Brad Gilbert by Didier and Debra Barnes-Guzman for \$330,000.  
15 LOCUST STREET was sold to Wells Fargo Bk by Marjorie Prophete and Wells Fargo Bk for \$284,750.  
9 PINE STREET was sold to Daryn Firicano by FHLM for \$337,000.  
37 REVERE ROAD was sold to Jeffrey Battles and Lisa Smith by Pauline Garvey and Pauline Pike for \$400,000.  
86 SALEM STREET was sold to Countrywide Home Loans by Karyn Reddy and MERS for \$351,404.  
3 VAN NORDEN ROAD was sold to Richard and Patricia Morgan by Geraldine Hollywood for \$370,000.

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## New garage door designs and trends

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To help increase curb appeal, GarageWowNow.com has offered some tips to increase your home's resale potential, curb appeal and resale value, simply by replacing your garage door.

The new website features pictures of a variety of doors, along with before-and-after photos, along with before and after photos of homes that have received a dramatic

#### Country cottage from S-10

flush eating bar that bounds the dining room. Standing at the kitchen sink, you can keep an eye on activities in the back yard and on the patio.

A hallway just around the corner from the Callaway's kitchen leads to the bedrooms, bathrooms, and a pass-through utility room that links with the garage. Broom, linen, and coat closets line the hallway, and a bank of cabinets fills the wall over the washer and dryer.

The owners' suite has a vaulted ceiling that slopes down to the left and right, a private bathroom with a double vanity, and a walk-in closet that's surprisingly roomy for a home this size. Secondary bedrooms share the main bathroom, which has a combination tub and shower.

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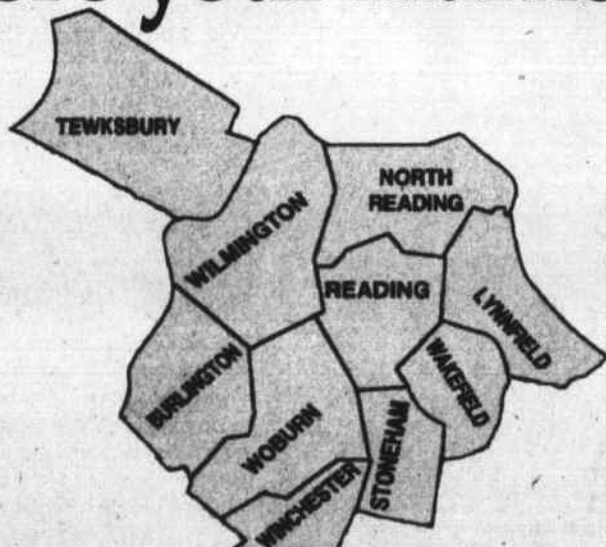
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## Real Estate Transfers

### -BURLINGTON-

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1 HAMPDEN AVENUE was sold to Pledged Prop LLC by Jie Duman and Credit Based Servicing for \$418,500.

### -LYNNFIELD-

There are no real estate transactions to report this week for the Town of Lynnfield.

### -NORTH READING-

12 CHESTER ROAD was sold to Danielle Dinsmore and Danielle Caruso by Jillian Kuhn and Jillian Gagne for \$295,000.

8 PILGRIM ROAD #1 was sold to Paul Clapp by PRL Edge-water Place LLC for \$376,000.

Transfers to S-9

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The Callaway is a contemporary cottage with a country-Victorian flavor. The wooden posts and railings on its wide front porch give it that country-cottage look, while the intriguing arched window and scallop-shingled gable fronts add dashes of nostalgic Victorian flavor.

Families are sure to appreciate the multiplicity of amenities that the designers managed to fit into slightly less than 1400 square feet of living space.

Family gathering spaces fill the left side; private rooms are on the right. The vaulted living room has one wide window in the front, and two slender windows on the side. The ceiling height drops and flattens toward the rear, where the living room transitions into the dining room.

Light spills into this bright space through wide windows at the side and a set of sliding glass doors at the rear that open onto a partially covered patio. Counters in the C-shaped kitchen are extended by a peninsula with a

County cottage to S-9

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### WOBURN



**WOBURN - \$328,500 - 4-1/2 year old End Unit Condo** has the feel of a single family home. Located at the end of a cul-de-sac, this pet-friendly condo offers an attached garage, full basement, attic for storage and a huge back yard for kids or dogs. Hardwood floors on the first level, oak kitchen with tile backsplash, 2 zone heat, central A/C. All this conveniently located with easy access to Rtes. 38 & 128.

### READING



**READING - \$474,000 - Great opportunity to live on the West Side in an eight room, four bedroom Greek Revival built in the mid 1850's.** This home offers many period details. High ceilings, many original hardwood floors, spacious rooms, two staircases and a Farmer's Porch are some of the highlights of this home. All this plus convenient location to town, train & schools.

### READING



**READING - \$359,000 - West Side location - custom built one-owner Gambrel** with nice detailed features. Charming fireplace living rm with beamed ceiling & custom mantel, formal dining rm with built-in china cabinet. First flr bdrm & updated ceramic tile bathroom. Second flr features 2 ample bdrms & half bath. Lots of storage. Attached garage is separated from home with an enclosed breezeway - great for those summer nights. Subject to acceptance of Seller into senior housing.

### WOBURN



**WOBURN - \$365,000 - Charming & immaculate Colonial** with a great backyard and a 2-car garage! Beautiful hardwood floors throughout, elegant French doors, built-in dining room hutch, big eat-in kitchen, a cozy den and a sunny 3-season porch. Needs a little updating - could be stunning after your decorating ideas have been added!

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